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Dem leader admits anti-Israel furor fueled party’s hard-left turn

New York State Democratic Party chair Jay Jacobs admitted that anti-Israel fervor helped socialist insurgents Darializa Avila Chevalier (left) and Brad Lander (center) topple establishment Democratic incumbents Adriano Espaillat and Dan Goldman, who’ve backed the Jewish state, while DSA member Claire Valdez (right) won a vacant seat. “Yes. I do think the Israel-Palestinian issue had an impact in the election. It was a factor,” Jacobs told The Post on Sunday.

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‘Zo Kat-astrophe’

By CARL CAMPANILE

GOP gubernatorial candidate Bruce Blakeman on Sunday blasted Gov. Hochul for enabling Mayor Mamdani, calling them “dangerous” as he said New Yorkers should vote for him to restore sanity to the state.

“The only way to save this state is to support my campaign this year, because left-wing lunatics . . . the Zohran Mamdani wing of the Democratic Party . . . hate America,” Blakeman said on WABC radio’s the “Cats Roundtable” program.

“They are danger to our state,” said Blakeman, the Nassau County executive. “They are a danger to our country. And they’ve got to be stopped,”

He lumped Hochul in with Mamdani, a proud member of the Democratic Socialists of America, to whom she cozied up during his campaign last year in what critics have blasted as a cynical political ploy to avoid facing a primary challenge during her re-election campaign this year.

RIGHT HOOK: Bruce Blakeman (right), Republican opponent of Gov. Hochul (left), blasted her Sunday for kowtowing to Mayor Mamdani and his democratic socialist supporters.

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Mam, Hochul are ‘dangerous’: Bruce

‘Shared misery’

“As Winston Churchill said: ‘Communism. Socialism. It’s nothing more than shared misery,’” Blakeman told host John Catsimatidis. “That’s what we have now under Kathy Hochul and Zohran Mamdani. “They want to make everybody miserable so they don’t know the difference between being happy and being miserable.”

Blakeman’s red alert came after Mamdani’s slate of democratic socialist and leftist candidates swept key Democratic primary House house races last week. Those results could have long-standing ramifications and may shift and reshape the Democratic power structure and policy priorities for years to come.

DSA candidate Darializa Avila Chevalier ousted five-term incumbent Rep. Adriano Espaillat in the 13th District in upper Manhattan and The Bronx while former DSA member and city Comptroller Brad Lander took out two-term incumbent Dan Goldman in the 10th District covering lower Manhattan and brownstone Brooklyn.

DSA member Claire Valdez won a vacant seat in the Brooklyn-Queens 7th District to replace retiring Nydia Velazquez by trouncing Brooklyn Borough President Antonio Reynoso.

DSA candidates in state Legislature races swept but one race. If they all win in November, it would nearly double the movement’s representation in Albany.

Blakeman blasted New York’s sky high taxes, congestion pricing and electric bills, which are 70% higher than the national average, and billions in spending on undocumented immigrants.

“I can do for New York state what I did for my county. We need policies that protect New Yorkers . . . not giving $8 billion to illegal migrants who haven’t earned a thing. That’s our taxpayer dollars that should be spent on New Yorkers. It’s a disgrace. I will end it on Day One,” he said.

No investment

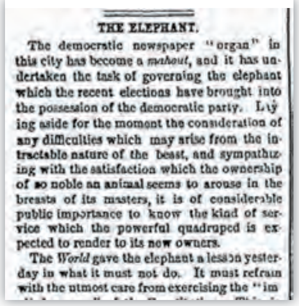
Blakeman also slammed the city’s just-announced rent freeze on one- and two-year leases for 1 million government-regulated apartments. The freeze will discourage maintenance upkeep of apartments, and some landlords will walk away from the properties, which would be converted into public housing run by the “slumlord” New York City Housing Authority, he said.

“Zohran Mamdani and Kathy Hochul just imposed a rent freeze. On the surface, if you’re living in an apartment, that sounds like a good thing,” he said.

“The bad thing about it is that nobody is investing in affordable housing anymore in New York,” Blakeman warned. “Those who have units that are vacant, they’re keeping them vacant because they can’t afford to make capital improvements and repairs. We now have 80,000 vacant units in the City of New York.

“You’re going to be living under [NYCHA], which is the biggest slumlord in the United States of America,” Blakeman said. “That’s what they want. They want to control your home, your housing.”

Hochul campaign spokesperson Ryan Radulovacki told The Post: “While Governor Hochul is driving down costs for families, from delivering universal child care to putting inflation refund checks in pockets, Bruce Blakeman is busy catering to the far-right.”


THE ELEPHANT.

The democratic newspaper “organ” in this city has become a *mahout*, and it has undertaken the task of governing the elephant which the recent elections have brought into the possession of the democratic party. Laying aside for the moment the consideration of any difficulties which may arise from the intractable nature of the beast, and sympathizing with the satisfaction which the ownership of so noble an animal seems to arouse in the breasts of its masters, it is of considerable public importance to know the kind of service which the powerful quadruped is expected to render to its new owners.

The *World* gave the elephant a lesson yesterday in what it must not do. It must refrain with the utmost care from exercising the “im

Symbol of the GOP

The Post is counting down to America’s 250th birthday with a look back at the nation’s — and the paper’s — history. Every day leading up to the big event on July 4, we’re publishing notable covers and stories from our archives:

The Elephant established Nov. 9, 1874

On Nov. 7, 1874, Harper’s Weekly published a political cartoon by Thomas Nast, “The Third Term Panic,” that established the elephant as a symbol for the Republican Party and critiqued the hysteria around President Ulysses S. Grant’s potential bid for another term. Over the year and a half that followed, Nast would use the elephant symbol seven times.

Happy 250th, USA!

On Nov. 9, beneath the headline “The Elephant,” The Evening Post took up the reference.

“The Elephant must not only walk in the proper path itself, but it must also undertake the labor of straightening the path pursued by the Republican party itself since 1864,” the paper declared. “It must refrain with the utmost care from exercising the ‘implied powers’ of the Constitution.”

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Kanye believe it's him?

Kanye West — yes, that's him in there — and his wife, the precariously perched Bianca Censori, spent $400,000 on a costume party at the Château de Versailles in France, sources said. They were more recognizable in 2024 in Milan (inset).

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RED (HOT) APPLE IS LOOMING

Temps could hit 100

By ANTHONY BLAIR

WEDNESDAY	95°	/81°	HOT Dangerous heat, humid
THURSDAY	99°	/73°	HOT Dangerous heat, humid
FRIDAY	98°	/78°	Hot, humid, hazy
SATURDAY	99°	/82°	Humid, clouds, sun

The city is set to swelter in the first heat wave of the summer this week, potentially topping 100 degrees during the World Cup knockout stages, America's 250th-birthday fest and Taylor Swift's wedding.

The Big Apple will start out with expected highs in the 90s as early as Tuesday, then continue to sizzle in the mid-90s, while experiencing potentially isolated storms Wednesday, experts said.

Thursday and Friday could then see temps hit and potentially surpass a broiling 100 degrees, with the real-feel more like 105 to 110, weather prognosticators said.

Extreme-heat-watch warnings also have been issued for all New Jersey counties Wednesday through Saturday.

The heating up comes as the region prepares to play host to multiple major events, including Tuesday's hotly anticipated World Cup clash between tournament favorites France and Sweden at MetLife Stadium in New Jersey.

The East Rutherford arena will also see a World Cup game July 5, with the opponents set to be determined this week.

Wedding daze

On Friday, fanatical supporters of a different kind could bring travel chaos to the Big Apple, when Swift's wedding celebrations come to Madison Square Garden.

Multiple streets are set to be closed as part of the event with more than 1,000 guests.

On top of that, large-scale events are taking place in and around the city as part of the July Fourth celebrations marking the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Highlights include Saturday's Sail4th 250 & Macy's Fireworks up the Hudson, which will bring crowds to the waterfront in Manhattan, Brooklyn and New Jersey.

With so many reasons to be outside this week, Gov. Hochul issued a warning to people to stay safe in the heat.

"Heat impacts are cumulative, which means the health risks increase day after day," Hochul said Sunday.

"People with children, it's not the best time to take a baby for walking the stroller. If you're walking the dog, try to minimize the outdoor time," she said.

The governor reminded people to stay hydrated, check in on neighbors and be smart about conserving energy.

"Our top priority is keeping New Yorkers safe and taking every step to prepare for this event," she said.

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Jails—Yes or no, Zo?

Waffles on axing ’em

By RYAN KING

Mayor Mamdani on Sunday refused to say if he supports the existence of prisons.

While showering praise on Darializa Avila Chevalier, the divisive far-left democratic socialist who won the Democratic nod for New York’s 13th Congressional District and has called to abolish prisons, Mamdani dodged revealing if he agrees with her on the issue.

“There are prisons,” Mamdani told ABC News’ “This Week” while refusing to answer the question about his stance.

“What we’re also showing in this city is that safety is not something that’s up for debate; it is something that we’re actually delivering on,” he added.

Are they helping

While running for the Assembly in 2020, Mamdani questioned the need for prisons, saying in an interview, “What purpose do they serve?

“I think a lot of people who defend the carceral state, they defend the idea of it and the way it makes them feel. They’re not defending the reality of it and the practices that are part and parcel of it,” he said.

“If you actually break it down and ask people how many people come out of the prison system better than they went into the prison system, how much harm is actually being prevented versus created?”

During the 2025 race for mayor, Mamdani also grappled with his past social-media posts bashing the NYPD as “racist, anti-queer & a major threat to public safety.” He called to “#DefundTheNYPD.”

Last year, he claimed, “I am not running to defund the police” and that he has “grown” as an individual.

But he doesn’t appear to have fully distanced himself from his past criticism of prisons.

As mayor, Hizzoner has pushed to shutter the Rikers Island jail complex, which holds the majority of the Big Apple’s worst criminal offenders.

Avila Chevalier, who took down Congressional Hispanic Caucus chairman Rep. Adriano Espaillat in the primary last week, scrubbed her social media of her previous calls to abolish prisons as well as the border and her championing of communism.

She also once blasted former President Joe Biden as a rapist, wrote “f--k” Kamala Harris and boasted about wiping her dirty hands on the American flag while trashing the US.

The mayor’s office did not respond to a Post request for comment Sunday about Mamdani’s position on prisons.

No ‘prez’ent danger

WASHINGTON — Mam for president? There’s just Zo way.

Mayor Mamdani laughed off the idea of changing the Constitution so he can run for president when he’s done with New York City, in an interview Sunday.

“No,” Mamdani told ABC News’ “This Week.” “The Constitution looks good the way it is.”

Under the Constitution, only natural born citizens 35 years and older can seek the presidency. Hizzoner, 34, was born in Uganda and emigrated to the US at around the age of 7. He became a naturalized citizen in 2018.

“I’m very excited to focus on New York City, but thank you for reminding me of my upcoming mortality,” Mamdani added, referring to how ABC News anchor Jonathan Karl referenced his upcoming 35th birthday.

During last year’s mayoral campaign, Mamdani needled Democratic former Gov. Andrew Cuomo, accusing him of setting his sights on higher office.

Ryan King

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TRIPLE THREAT: Victorious Democratic primary candidates Claire Valdez (top), Darializa Avila Chevalier (right, with Mayor Mamdani) and Brad Lander (near right) won in large part by bashing Israel, rather than their far-left social policies, observers charged.

By CARL CAMPANILE

Mayor Mamdani’s socialist cronies who swept last week’s Democratic primaries boasted about an affordability message, but critics say it was an anti-Israel furor that is fueling the party’s swing to the left.

State Democratic Party honcho Jay Jacobs admitted voters’ feelings on Israel helped propel Mamdani buddies to three House primary victories, including firebrand Darializa Avila Chevalier and former city Comptroller Brad Lander, who upset incumbents Adriano Espaillat and Dan Goldman, respectively.

Both Espaillat and Goldman backed the Jewish state, a stand that may have motivated young activist liberals with pro-Palestinian views who have staunchly opposed Israel military action in Gaza.

“Yes. I do think the Israel-Palestinian issue had an impact in the election,” Jacobs told The Post on Sunday. “It hurt establishment Democrats.

“There are people who may have voted against Espaillat and Goldman because of it,” he added. “It was important to the activists who came out and voted.”

‘Built on antisemitism’

The pro-Palestinian, anti-Israel campaign was a “more important issue for those who came out and voted” in low-turnout primary elections that saw only about 17% of party voters citywide participate, Jacobs said.

The national civil rights group the Anti-Defamation League blasted the insurgency as riding a wave of antisemitic sentiment to wins in the Big Apple, the city with the largest Jewish population outside of Israel.

“On Tuesday night in New York City, a movement built on antisemitic rhetoric won three congressional primaries,” the ADL said in a statement on X.

The statement noted that as Mamdani moved through the jubilant crowd at a DSA victory party on the night of the primaries, attendees chanted “From the river to the sea,” the code viewed

ON HATRED

Anti-Israel rage fueled victories for left loonies

AP Photo/Seth Wenig; Jaysun Silver/Shutterstock; OLGA FEDOROVA/EPA/Shutterstock

as a call to wipe out Israel.

"We're witnessing candidates succeed not in spite of their demonizing rhetoric against the Jewish community and the Jewish state, but because of it," the ADL said.

"When leaders cheer slogans that dehumanize Jews, it does not stay at a victory party. It bleeds into schools, neighborhoods and daily life, putting Jewish families, children and communities at risk."

The Mamdani-backed House candidates were part of a push to the left of the party that came alongside wins by Legislature candidates picked by the Democratic Socialists of America.

The results were compared to Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez's victory in the 2018 elections and insiders and experts already say they could shift power in the state Democratic Party and reshape policy priorities for years to come.

Avila Chevalier came under intense scrutiny during the campaign but still defeated five-term incumbent Espaillat in a close contest in the 13th Congressional District, which covers Harlem, Washington Heights and parts of The Bronx.

She had attended an anti-Israeli rally in Times Square one day after Hamas' terrorist attack on Israel on Oct. 7, 2023. At the rally, demonstrators torched the Israeli flag and flashed swastikas.

Voters 'fired up'

Avila Chevalier centered her platform on halting US military aid to Israel and fully divesting from the Jewish state.

DSA candidate Claire Valdez, who is a state Assembly member, won an open seat in Brooklyn-Queens Congressional District 7 by defeating Brooklyn Borough President Antonio Reynoso, the favored candidate of retiring Rep. Nydia Velazquez.

Lander, who is Jewish and former DSA member, claimed Israel is committing genocide in Gaza.

Pollsters have noted a dramatic shift in the Democratic Party against Israel after the Gaza war.

"The voters who turned out were anti-Israel. The people who were fired up were anti-Israel and there was no counter to that," said pollster Bradley Honan of the Honan Strategy Group.

A Gallup poll released in February found that more than half of Democrats in the US are anti-Israel, the first time a majority of members of a major political party had a negative opinion of the Jewish state.

The question was asked by the poll since 1989.

Only 33% of Dems surveyed by Gallup said they had a favorable view of Israel, while 60% viewed the Jewish state unfavorably and 4% had no opinion.

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Ex-gov's caution to Dems

Former Gov. David Paterson warned that state Democrats could face extinction if they don't thwart a socialist takeover that's leaving moderates out to dry.

The warning from Paterson, who also served as the state's party chairman, comes days after a slate backed by Mayor Mamdani and the Democratic Socialists of America swept key congressional Democratic primary contests and nearly all state legislative seats.

"It's definitely a message to the Democratic Party. We'd better get that message and turn it around before we become extinct," Paterson said Sunday on WABC radio's "Cats Roundtable" program.

He noted that 32,790 Democrats voted to elect controversial socialist Darializa Avila Chevalier, who ousted five-term incumbent Adriano Espaillat in the 13th House District covering Harlem, Washington Heights and Inwood in Manhattan and parts of The Bronx.

That's a sliver of the voting population in the district.

Paterson used to represent Harlem as a state senator in a district that overlaps with the congressional district, before he became lieutenant governor and later governor. *Carl Campanile*

Maher puts it on Darializa

Comedian Bill Maher says he's identified the loopy "patient zero" among the extremist woke crowd: Manhattan House candidate Darializa Avila Chevalier.

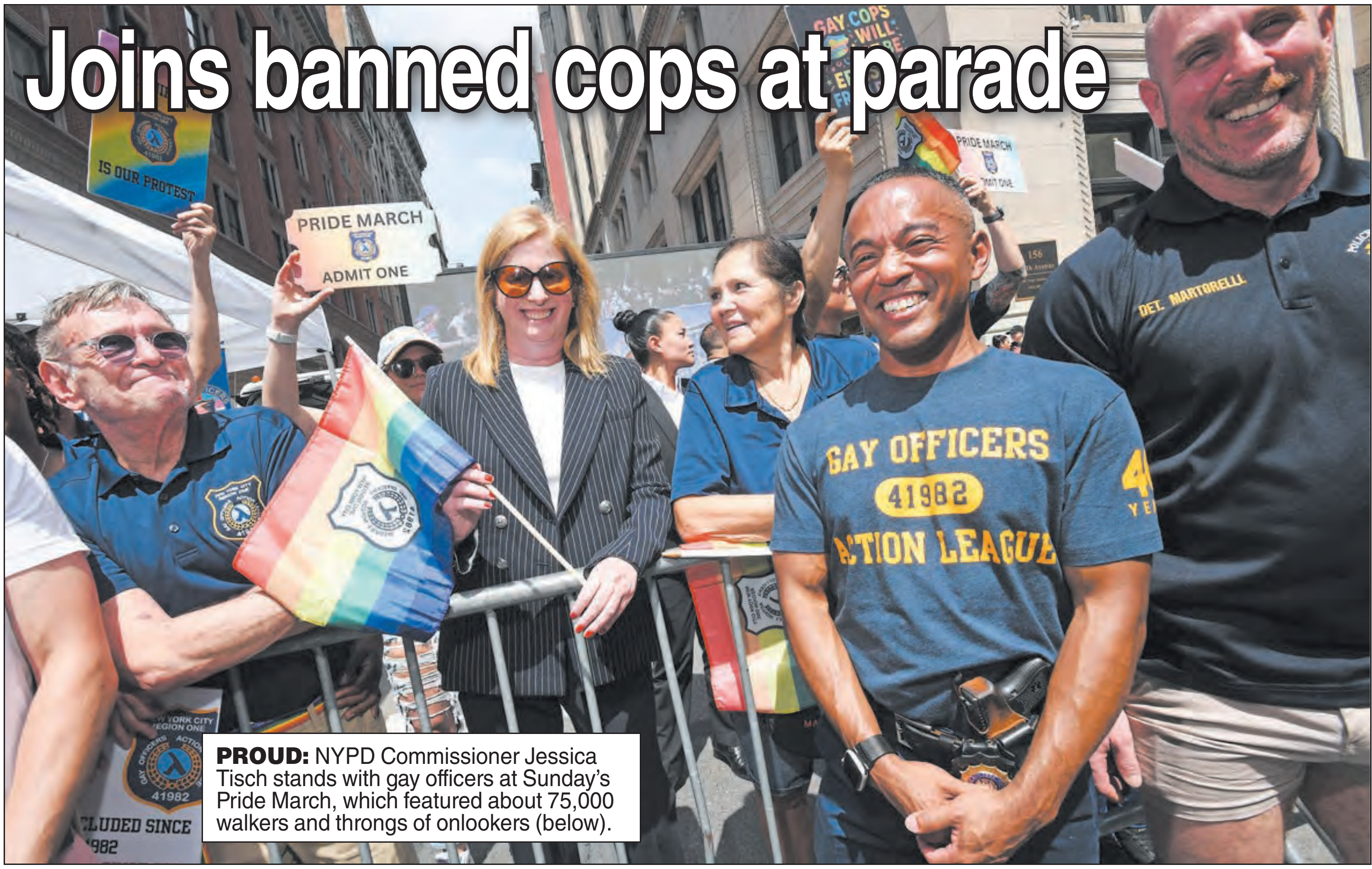
Maher torched Chevalier positions such as abolishing prisons, on his HBO "Real Time" show Friday, adding that she's emblematic of the far-left flank of the Democratic Party.

"There's one candidate, she will be a congresswoman from New York's 13th District, who The New York Times asked her if someone murders someone randomly, should they go to jail? Couldn't get her to say yes to that," Maher said.

"So there is a woke mind virus, and I think we found patient zero." *Ryan King*

Tisch takes in 'Pride'

Joins banned cops at parade



PROUD: NYPD Commissioner Jessica Tisch stands with gay officers at Sunday's Pride March, which featured about 75,000 walkers and throngs of onlookers (below).

Matthew McDermott for NY Post

By SOFIA POZNANSKY
and ANTHONY BLAIR

NYPD Commissioner Jessica Tisch was pictured watching the NYC Pride March from the sidelines Sunday, weeks after slamming the exclusion of LGBTQ cops from walking in full uniform in the parade.

About 75,000 people walked in the 57th annual Pride March on Sunday afternoon, making their way down Fifth Avenue, turning onto Eighth Street and then up Seventh Avenue, where they passed the historic Stonewall Inn — the site of the violent 1969 police raid and uprising that kick-started the gay rights movement and inspired the march.

But uniformed NYPD officers haven't been among the marchers since 2021, when NYC Pride organizers Heritage of Pride first banned all active-duty law enforcement from marching with their service weapons — citing tensions between law enforcement and the LGBTQ community in the wake of the George Floyd protests.

As NYPD regulations require uniformed officers to be armed, members of the Gay Officers Action League opted to skip marching ever since.

At this year's parade, New York City's top cop was spotted watching behind metal barricades alongside a group of officers protesting the ban on cops marching in their uniform.

Police pictured behind Tisch held signs reading "Gay cops will not be erased from Pride," and "Pride March: Admit One," along with an NYPD badge.

'Slap in the face'

Earlier this month, Tisch slammed the exclusion of LGBTQ cops from walking with their guns during Manhattan's Pride March and instead walked in a Pride parade through Queens that allowed armed officers.

"Once again, they banned NYPD officers from marching in full uniform later this month," Tisch said of the Manhattan organizers during the June 7 Queens march.

"That decision is as hypocritical as it is a slap in the face to the New York City Police Department and to the spirit of Pride."

Meanwhile, NYC Pride March organizers, which ironically picked the theme "For All of Us" for the 2026 march, went all in — naming the organization Gays Against Guns as one of its five grand marshals this year.

Gays Against Guns activist Cathy Marino-Thomas, 65, told The Post that the gun ban was also due to ongoing trauma among the gay community following the Pulse nightclub massacre in June 2016.

Marchers briefly paused the parade to hold a staged "die-in" in front of the Stonewall Inn to commemorate the 49 lives lost at the Pulse Massacre 10 years ago.

Some notable figures who marched in the parade include Mayor Mamdani, Gov. Hochul, Sen. Chuck Schumer, state Attorney General Letitia James, Congressional candidate Brad Lander and Public Advocate Jumaane Williams — the latter two who posed for a photo with Tisch.

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Asbestos protocol violated

The demolition of an iconic Manhattan steam plant that served as the filming location for several Marvel streaming series has been halted because the city violated its own asbestos rules.

Work on the 87-year-old, city-owned Roosevelt Island steam plant — set to be razed under a plan managed by the city Housing and Preservation Department — was halted after an inspection by Big Apple environmental authorities earlier this month, according to agency records.

The Department of Environmental Protection inspectors noted in their June 12 report that the asbestos abatement work being done by the city is in violation of its own asbestos rules and "poses a threat to human safety."

Work can't resume until the DEP approves a plan "that addresses all disturbed asbestos containing materials" at the site, the order said.

A Post request for comment from the DEP was referred to the HPD.

"This is part of a routine interagency process for identifying any hazards and additional work that should be covered throughout the project," an HPD rep told The Post. *Nicole Rosenthal*

'Quiet' vic in park stab

The young man fatally stabbed in a gang-related attack near million-dollar Brooklyn homes Saturday was a "quiet kid" watching a local soccer game when violent menaces on mopeds rolled up, witnesses said.

Police on Sunday identified the fatal Dyker Heights victim as Manuel Estanislao Chox Choc, 21, from Bath Beach — and took a 16-year-old with suspected gang ties into custody for his murder.

The brawl, which also left a 30-year-old man in critical condition, rocked the neighborhood around 2 p.m. inside Dyker Beach Park, cops and residents said. *Joe Marino and Fenix Surie*

Bosnian Football, /X

KICKED: Reporter Abigail Velez apologizes for her diss to nation.

Journo's Bosnia blunder

An award-winning California news reporter faced backlash for her "insensitive" comments toward Bosnia-Herzegovina during her World Cup coverage, forcing her to apologize for taking the joke "too far."

ABC7 Los Angeles' Abigail Velez was covering the US national team's match at a viewing party on the streets of Long Beach, Calif., Thursday, when she updated viewers on America's next opponent after the 3-2 loss to Turkey.

"The next round, Team USA will play Bosnia next Wednesday and one thing about Bosnia, I could not point out where it is on a map," Velez quipped. "I don't know the first thing about Bosnia and I don't want to know because Team USA, we're back, we're better than ever."

Velez, who has been with the station since November 2025, doubled down and told the southeastern European nation to get ready for the US.

Bosnian fans were quick to call out Velez for the report.

"My goodness, the stereotypes write themselves......" X account Bosnian Football wrote, alongside a clip of Velez's report.

Velez apologized Saturday for a "poor effort to have a little fun."

Nicholas McEntyre

Claims mar Cape Verde's miracle run

Getty Images

CAPTAIN ACCUSED OF RAPE

THE ALLEGATIONS: A Cape Verde soccer team translator has alleged that captain Ryan Mendes (left) raped her during a team trip to New Zealand to play a game in March.

By ANTHONY BLAIR

The captain of World Cup fairytale story Cape Verde has been accused of rape by a team translator after he allegedly entered her hotel room and choked her, according to reports.

Ryan Mendes, 36, who has played in all three of the African island country's World Cup games so far, was accused of sexually assaulting a Brazilian woman hired to be the team's translator during a trip to New Zealand to play a game in March, reported Brazil's Globo news outlet.

The unidentified woman said she approached at least three officials from Cape Verde soccer authorities who did not respond, according to Brazilian media.

The case is now being investigated by New Zealand police, who collected security camera footage from an Auckland hotel and are awaiting the results of a forensic investigation before they decide whether to charge Mendes.

The alleged sex assault was reported by New Zealand media last month, but the name of the player was not revealed — only that he was on Cape Verde's team.

In her statement, the woman said she was hired by Cape Verde's soccer team for their games in the FIFA series in New Zealand, and after the first match against Chile, she was invited to a meeting in one of the hotel rooms reserved for the national side at the hotel.

But when she realized that she wasn't needed for translating and that it was a social gathering, she said she returned to her room, and shortly after heard knocking on the door.

Pictures of injuries

When she opened it, Mendes allegedly forced his way into her room, throttled, punched and bit her, before raping her, according to her statement to New Zealand police.

She shared pictures of injuries to her mouth, neck, leg and side, which were handed to the police.

Mendes, whose Cape Verde team made history by becoming the smallest nation to reach the World Cup knockout rounds, has not responded yet to the allegations.

Soccer's governing body, FIFA, issued a statement hours after the allegations were first reported on Sunday.

The organization said it is in contact with New Zealand authorities and takes any misconduct allegations "extremely seriously," according to Brazil's media.

However, it said it could not comment on the allegations or confirm whether any investigations are underway.

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'West Britain' parties in NYC

English revelers turned Manhattan into "West Britain" on Saturday, packing local pubs to celebrate a 2-0 World Cup victory over Panama.

The beer flowed as freely as the chants, with fans embracing the thrill of a decisive win.

"I've been here since half past one," said Michael Jennison, 32, a Manchester native who'd been celebrating for nine hours at Smithfield Hall in Chelsea. "This is a good way to be held captive. I mean, it was always America. We call it West Britain."

At Jones Wood Foundry, the mood shifted from rowdy singing to cautious optimism.

"As an English fan, there's always an element of . . . realism," said Ed Furnell, 42, a UK native who lives in Brooklyn. "We're a very pessimistic supporting group."

New Yorker Vincent Nash, 41, a London native, was also at the Foundry post-game.

"Everyone had the flags up, everyone," he said.

Marie Pohl and Daniel Cody

MARTIN GURRI

Don't let partisans get in the way

PARTISAN politics have gotten in the way of celebrating our country's 250th birthday.

The Democrats have opted out of the festivities because they insist everything we do should be about Donald Trump — and the president, let's face it, doesn't exactly disagree with that idea.

Many mourn the decline of comity and consensus, and look back to some golden age — say, the 1976 bicentennial — when all Americans held hands and celebrated the anniversary as one.

Put aside the fact that 1976 was part of an awful decade, replete with bombings, assassinations and protests.

I believe our disagreements over the 250th birthday party prove that American politics still has a pulse. Our debates about the future may be distempered in their emotional tone and alarmist in their rhetoric, but they still matter — America's future, now, as always, is wide open.

The most important question, which few have asked, is what exactly we should be celebrating.

It isn't survival. Mere endurance is remarkable in frail individuals, but nations should stand for something more than just being there.

'Created equal'

As it happens, the people who, 250 years ago, produced the document we are celebrating — the Declaration of Independence — left no doubt about the significance of what they had done.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident," they began.

There followed a series of extraordinary assertions.

All men — today we would say, all persons — "are created equal." All are endowed with "unalienable" rights. Among these rights are "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Government exists not to wage great wars or extract wealth from the population but to "secure these rights."

And when government fails to do this, "it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it."

That was the Founders' Creed.

The United States fought a bloody conflict to tear itself apart from Great Britain in an attempt to realize this faith — that government can be justified only when it rests on the self-evident truth of the rights and freedoms of ordinary people.

When, many years later, mourning the dead at the battlefield in Gettysburg, Abraham Lincoln stated that our nation was "dedicated" to a "proposition," it was the Founders' Creed he meant.

And every Fourth of July, with fireworks and barbecues, we commemorate the miraculous "new birth of freedom" America represents.

Even with the best will imaginable, however, those who reflect on the matter soon begin to ask troubling questions.

Given the vast distance between, say, a homeless person and Elon Musk, in what sense can we say that human equality is self-evident?

Since our rights and freedoms can be trampled on by the government and other powerful institutions, how can we describe them as inalienable?

Could the founders have misrepresented the reality of this world? Was their creed an incredibly naïve, or clever, or even tendentious story to justify the seizing of power from Britain?

Was America built on an intellectual foundation of sand?

The short answer is: No.

Everything hinges on the meaning of that first word in the phrase: "created equal."

It doesn't mean we're identical or interchangeable. It certainly doesn't imply equality of outcomes.

Human condition

We are simply told that, in some initial sense, we enter the world in a state of unassailable equality.

We all share in the human condition. We are all susceptible to hunger, pain and death, and we all desire happiness, success and love.

But the founders meant more than that — and here things get tricky for us skeptical denizens of the 21st century.

We are equal, the founders believed, on a transcendental plane, where all accidental differences are erased: in the eyes of God.

Human beings, they wrote, are "endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights."

It's in this sense that we are "created" equal.

You and I, like every other individual, as spiritual entities, are judged by the Creator to be of equal value and dignity from the onset of life.

This is true of the homeless person as it is of Musk.

And this gift from an eternal source can't be snatched away from the passions of mortal humanity: It is sacred and inalienable.

Yet a decreasing number of Americans believe in the rational Christian God of the founders. Among the hyper-educated elites who run our institutions and manage the national narrative, the number probably approaches zero.

Will unbelief bring the 250-year-

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WE SALUTE YOU: The Great American State Fair on the National Mall featured a rodeo (top inset), a Ferris wheel (above) and attendees waving American flags, donning patriotic garb and posing for photos as our Founding Fathers.

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Our 'rights' to party for America

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old edifice of the Founders' Creed crashing down on our heads?

The short answer is: Not necessarily.

But beware — there are those who wish to make it so.

A movement is afoot to redefine American democracy as something quite the opposite of a community of equals.

Aristocracy

On this view, there are two inferior classes: the deplorables, who seek to oppress the weak and persecute the marginalized, and the victims, who like helpless infants are destined to be crushed by the oppressors.

A third class emerges as the hero of this new-model democracy: a credentialed aristocracy, wise in expertise and pure in virtue, whose task it is to protect the victims by putting the deplorables in their place.

Because the deplorables often achieve a majority, the voters must be presented with few choices.

If an undesirable candidate begins to gain in popularity, a rule or law must be found to disqualify him from running.

If no rule applies, he must be prosecuted on some fictitious criminal charge.

If the candidate survives prosecution, the media will unleash a storm of scandal about his private and public life.

If, despite the best efforts of the aristocracy, the unwanted candidate is elected, he must be denied office and flung back into the muck.

To my knowledge, this has yet to happen in the US — though we came close in 2016 with the Russia collusion story, concocted to overturn the result of that year's presidential elections.

But it happened in Romania in 2024. It is poised to happen again in alleged democracies as varied as those of Germany and Brazil.

And yes — it can happen here. Every other ruse has already been tried.

The aristocrats who are redefining democracy maintain that the Founders' Creed is nothing more than antique clutter, getting in the way of true justice.

Not only are our rights and freedoms alienable — they must be alienated, otherwise the deplorables will overrun society like a barbarian horde.

Not only is equality between citizens not self-evident — it is false and an empty concept anyway, to be replaced with "equity," the mathematical balancing of all racial, sexual and identitarian outcomes as determined by the ruling class.

Obviously, for the aristocratic principle to qualify as democracy, traditional notions of what democracy has always been must be discredited.

The whole history of the United States, with its myriad triumphs of ordinary people and millions of immigrants like myself who have found a new birth of freedom here, must be trashed as racist and exploitive.

The founders in particular, whose courage and brilliance set us on this course two and a half centuries ago, must be derided as loathsome white males.

Such a war on memory can only lead to a pathological hatred of all things American.

And sure enough, these are the Ivy League university students who can be heard proclaiming "Death to America" alongside their Islamist allies.

Wide-open future

A famous movie star has told us that loving our country is like an abused spouse loving her abuser.

A recently nominated Democratic candidate for Congress has boasted that she wipes her dirty hands with the American flag.

With this charming alternative in mind, let me return to the question of whether current unbelief in some way nullifies the Founders' Creed.

It should be a trivial truth to say that the arrow of causation moves from past to present.

As Americans, we are what the Founders' Creed has made us.

It's the equivalent of our sociopolitical DNA.

Earthbound latter-day citizens, those of us who are skeptics or unbelievers, are swept upward by the transcendental impulse of the founding generation — for us, as for them, equality of rights will forever appear self-evident.

Is the American system in part imperfect or unjust?

Of course it is — but the adventure remains incomplete.

America's future, I repeat, is wide open — an endless frontier in which, with luck, freedom will continue to be reborn.

So here are our choices.

We can cease to be Americans and become something else — an aristocracy masquerading as a fake democracy, for example.

That would be the hope of the haters, and it is certainly a possibility.

But if we want to live up to the 250 years of our history, we should light the fuses of the starbursts and fire up the grills in celebration of the great souls that came before us, and in anticipation that their faith still has long to run.

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‘Brutal killing in broad daylight’

Tex. sisters’ ‘slay’ shock

HORROR: Sisters Kitty Mia Diaz (inset left), 21, and Amaya Cookie Diaz (inset right), 19, allegedly took part in the murder of Caroline Peña, 32.

YouTube/Good Citizen

By ANTHONY BLAIR,
GEORGIA WORRELL
and JORGE FITZ-GIBBON

Two twisted sisters and their deranged pal viciously hacked a 32-year-old mother of five to death in broad daylight in the middle of a busy Texas street, according to police.

Kitty Mia Diaz, 21, Amaya Cookie Diaz, 19, and their friend Kyandra Renee Faz, 21, are now being held on murder charges, while cops try to find a motive for the shocking attack, Del Rio police said Friday.

Caroline “Caro” Peña, was stabbed multiple times in broad daylight and arrived at Val Verde Regional Medical Center just after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Due to the severity of her injuries, she was subsequently taken to a medical facility in San Antonio for emergency surgery, but died.

Surveillance footage from the crime scene shows a bloodied Pena (inset) facing her attackers outside a Sonic drive-through during the violent attack, according to reports.

Cops were called to the medical center and tracked down the location of the attack to an address in Del Rio, a small city of some 35,000 on the Mexican border.

Footage taken outside the sisters’ home showed a barefoot and scantily clad Kitty Diaz grinning as she was led to a waiting police cruiser, wearing tight black shorts and a halter top with a drawing of hands cupping her breasts.

Her younger sister also put on a show, smiling widely for cameras, then sarcastically yelled, “Stop recording!”

Police said Faz was also charged after being questioned.

No motive has yet been given by the police, and Peña’s heartbroken and furious friends and relatives are demanding answers.

“This wasn’t something that happened in a back alley. This happened at the corner near Sonic on one of our busiest roads in broad daylight,” Zelina Ochoa, Peña’s childhood friend, told KENS5.

Ochoa said they met when they were both teen mothers attending the Cradles in the Classroom program for young parents.

Peña would watch her son while she caught up on schoolwork, and later gave Ochoa baby clothes, a television, a VHS player and videotapes for her first apartment, she said.

“If you needed something and she had it, even if it was her last, she’d give it to you,” Ochoa said.

‘I knew it was her’

Another close friend, Christina Salinas, said they had hung out the night before the murder, cooking with Peña’s daughter.

The next day, Salinas said she missed a call from Pena at 1:35 p.m., just minutes before the deadly confrontation.

“I feel like if I would have answered that call, honestly I would have been there with her. It wouldn’t have gotten like that,” Salinas said.

Salinas later recognized a picture on a community page of a woman in a bloody shirt as her best friend.

“Her hair was in the same bun. When I saw that, that’s all I needed to see was the back of her shirt. I knew it was her right off the bat,” Salinas said.

“That girl, she was a fighter. She was still standing her ground,” she added.

Salinas said she rushed to the hospital when she learned what had happened, and said goodbye to Peña, who was still talking, kissing her before she was flown to San Antonio.

The Diaz sisters were arrested at around 4 p.m. Thursday without incident, while Faz was detained a short time later, and all were taken to the Del Rio Police Department for booking and processing, according to police.

Peña was pronounced dead at around 9 p.m. Thursday, and the three suspects were charged with her murder and transported to a correctional facility.

‘Details’ in teach sex case

New claims of how a New York City public school teacher silenced and abused a third-grade pupil decades ago have emerged a week after a jury awarded the victim a staggering $18 million.

The victim’s lawyer detailed how the now-dead teacher, John Clark, held the child’s mouth closed while he molested him for 30 minutes in an auditorium full of his classmates during a movie.

“He’s never come out of the auditorium,” the victim’s attorney, Jeff Herman, told The Post in an exclusive interview.

The delayed justice comes decades after parents boycotted the school for covering up the teacher’s acts.

The win for the victim, who is identified only as A.P. in court docs, marks a historic milestone as the first lawsuit under 2019’s Child Victims Act to reach a jury verdict.

In the early 1970s, music teacher Clark fondled multiple boys during class movies in the P.S. 15 auditorium in Red Hook, according to the 2021 Brooklyn lawsuit.

In 1971, parents kept their kids out of the school for one day to protest its principal’s failure to stop Clark.

Peter Senzamici

Fatal Jersey City shoot

One man was shot dead and another wounded in Jersey City on Sunday, police said.

Jenardo Tejada, 38, was shot near Orient Avenue and Martin Luther King Drive at around 2:30 a.m., the Jersey City police said.

The Jersey City native was rushed to Jersey City Medical Center, where he died, according to authorities.

A 45-year-old man also shot in the incident was located two blocks away at Jackson Square, according to cops.

An investigation is ongoing, and there are no arrests, police said.

David DeTurris

LUIGI MANGIONE
Conflicting trials.

Luigi fed case delay weighed

Luigi Mangione is due back in federal court Monday in the murder of UnitedHealthcare CEO Brian Thompson, with his defense strategy still up in the air.

The accused assassin will appear in Manhattan to hash out the schedule of his trial on stalking charges, which is currently set for October but may be moved to early 2027.

Monday's hearing comes two weeks after lawyers for Mangione, 28, in his separate state murder case told a court they will mount a psychiatric defense before bizarrely backtracking a day later.

The state case, prosecuted by Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg, is set to start jury selection Sept. 8. That schedule would collide with the federal case, which calls for prospective jurors to start filling out questionnaires Sept. 11.

District Judge Margaret Garnett has expressed openness to postponing the federal trial.

Mangione faces life in prison at both trials, stemming from the killing of Thompson, 50, in December 2024 on a Midtown sidewalk outside UnitedHealthcare's investors' conference. *Ben Kochman*

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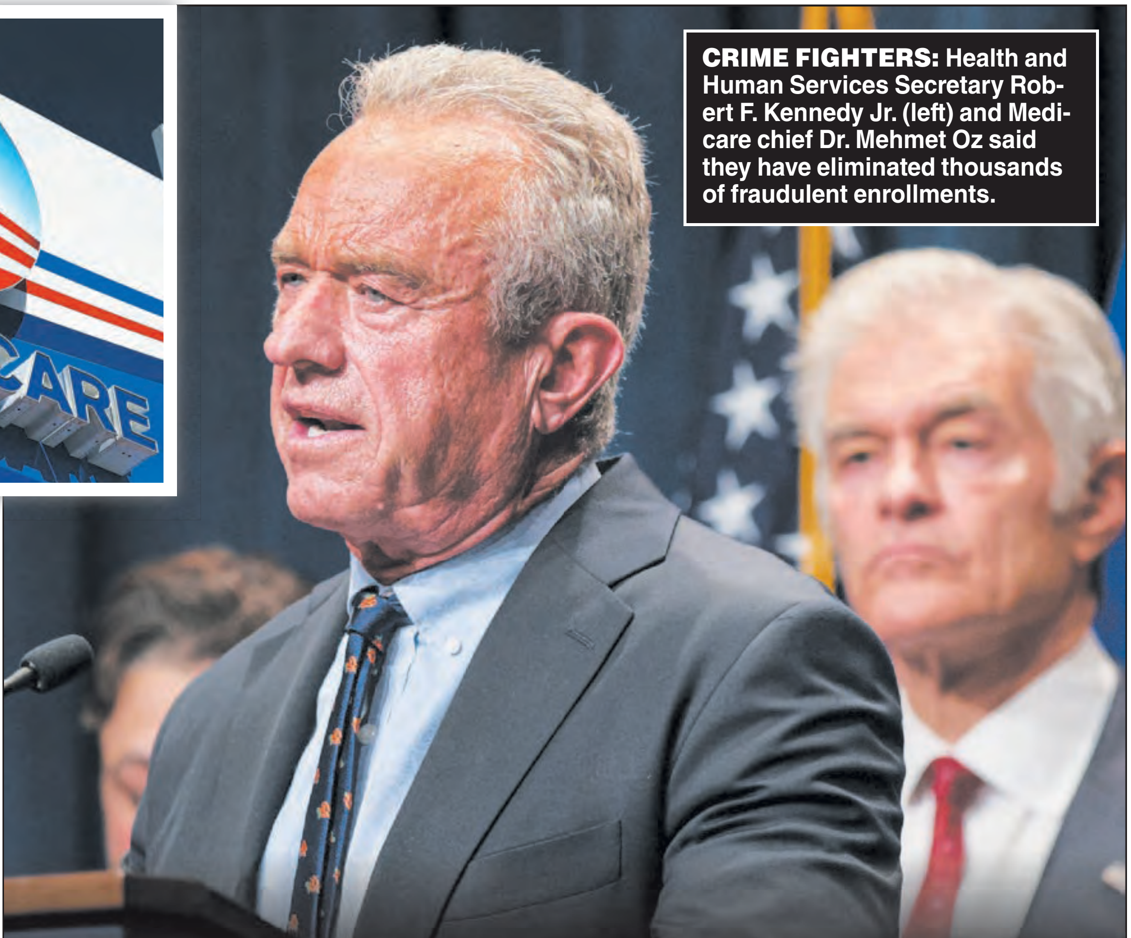

CRIME FIGHTERS: Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. (left) and Medicare chief Dr. Mehmet Oz said they have eliminated thousands of fraudulent enrollments.

Reuters; Getty Images

1M unverified patients: RFK

By RYAN KING

WASHINGTON — More than 1 million people enrolled in Obamacare plans lack Social Security numbers, Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. announced with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Administrator Dr. Mehmet Oz.

Kennedy called that "a glaring warning sign for fraud" across the Obamacare program and faulted President Trump's predecessors for not maintaining proper guardrails in social safety net programs.

"The Obamacare marketplace is plagued by fraud in large part because the Biden administration dismantled basic program integrity guardrails, while partisan lawfare blocked common sense efforts to protect taxpayers," Kennedy grumbled in a video announcement with Oz on Saturday.

"Why are we paying people we don't know if they actually exist?"

'Bad actors'

An estimated 19.2 million Americans are enrolled in an Obamacare exchange plan, according to the latest data from HHS.

That's down from about 23.4 million in 2025.

Notably, the enhanced Obamacare subsidies put in place under the Biden administration expired at the end of last year.

Kennedy and Oz have been crusading against fraud in social spending on healthcare.

They didn't say how many of the 1 million Obamacare enrollees who lacked Social Security numbers were suspected of fraud.

But they argued that the systems in place should've identified the lack of proper vetting earlier.

Oz claimed that "rogue agents and other bad actors" have been enrolling "unsuspecting Americans in health plans they never signed up for," and using fake identities to collect fees from insurance companies for "selling plans they never legitimately sold."

Typically, they select plans that don't have premiums so that people are unaware that they've been enrolled, according to the health bosses.

"Some of these agents refuse to follow basic rules, like providing their clients' Social Security numbers. That, my friends, is a huge red flag," Oz claimed.

It's not clear how widespread that alleged phenomenon is.

The two Trump administration leaders said they have a "zero tolerance policy" for such fraud and have eliminated thousands of fraudulent enrollments.

"We're also working with insurers to cancel every policy that should never have been issued and recover every taxpayer dollar that was fraudulently paid out," Kennedy said.

"If you're a fraudster, here's our advice to you: do not walk away from us, run, because we are going to find you," Oz added.

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Ohio gov's plea for Haitians

WASHINGTON — GOP Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine on Sunday urged President Trump to reconsider yanking temporary protective status for thousands of Haitians.

DeWine — whose state has more than 10,000 Haitians with that status — acknowledged that the US Supreme Court ruling last week allows Trump to remove the protection and paves the way for mass deportations. But he said that doesn't make it right.

"You cannot fly into Port-au-Prince today," DeWine told CNN's "State of the Union," referring to the crime-riddled island nation's capital. "These gang leaders who control a good part of Haiti today shoot at the planes when they come in."

Asked about the State Department's travel advisory on Haiti, Homeland Secretary Markwayne Mullin said, "That advisory is to American citizens traveling to Haiti, not Haitians going back home." *Ryan King*

Motorcycle crash injures 10

Ten people were injured Sunday when a woman on a three-wheel motorcycle plowed through a Brooklyn park, striking several pedestrians in her path, according to authorities.

The woman operating the Can-Am trike allegedly failed to navigate the roadway and crashed into Commodore Barry Park in Fort Greene around 6:40 p.m. — hitting nine pedestrians, according to the NYPD.

Emergency responders rushed to the crash site near Flushing Avenue and Navy Street and transported the nine pedestrians and the motorcycle driver to local hospitals, police said.

Four of the 10 injured are in critical, but stable condition. The remaining six people are listed as stable, cops added.

Photos of the aftermath captured debris littered around the three-wheeler as officers and shocked bystanders swarmed the scene. *Zoe Hussain*

IRGC: Gotta get past us before strait

By RONNY REYES

Iran doubled down on its control of the Strait of Hormuz Sunday — declaring on state-run TV that all ships must get permission from the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps before sailing through the critical choke point.

The announcement followed Iranian attacks on two ships that were transiting the strait in recent days — prompting strikes by the US, and tit-for-tat retaliation by the Islamic Republic.

The violence threatened to unravel the delicate peace deal less than a week after the two sides met in Switzerland for talks on a permanent agreement. President Trump accused Iran of violating the cease-fire and warned the US could return to all-out war.

Traffic down

The attacks also resulted in shipping traffic through Hormuz, which once carried 20% of the world's oil, dropping to pre-peace deal levels.

Just 10 ships crossed on Saturday, compared with 40 to 50 earlier in the week.

The IRGC has maintained that Iran will keep full control over the Strait of Hormuz. On Thursday, it fired a drone on a Singapore-flagged cargo ship along the coast of Oman — after the vessel apparently used a route through the strait that avoided Iranian-controlled waters.

Iran claimed the vessel, the container ship Ever Lovely, was using military escorts in the Oman half of the strait and that it undermined the Islamic Republic's control over the passageway.

Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi said Sunday that Iran will exercise sole management of the Strait of Hormuz for the next 30 days before allowing full traffic to resume.

"Any attempt to adopt new or separate arrangements compared to what is underway by the Islamic Republic of Iran will only lead to more complicated situations and delays in the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz, and will increase the tensions, as we witnessed in the past two nights," Araghchi told reporters.

Crumbling peace

Under the terms of the MOU, Iran had agreed to keep the strait open and free for the full 60 days of negotiations before taking control of the waterway.

Iran said it plans to charge tolls or "insurance" for ships to cross after that — though the US has demanded no tolls can be allowed.

After Iran hit the Singapore ship, it apparently attacked the Panama-flagged tanker M/T Kiku, which was sailing from Qatar.

US fighter jets responded by launching strikes at 10 targets that facilitated that drone strike on the tanker.

Trump furiously warned Iran, accusing it of violating the cease-fire agreement.

"It is very possible that they will never learn! There may come a point when we are no longer able to be reasonable, and will be forced to militarily complete the job that we very successfully started," he said on Truth Social.

"If that happens, the Islamic Republic of Iran will no longer exist!"

Iran responded by launching drones and missiles at US allies Bahrain and Kuwait.

TURNING

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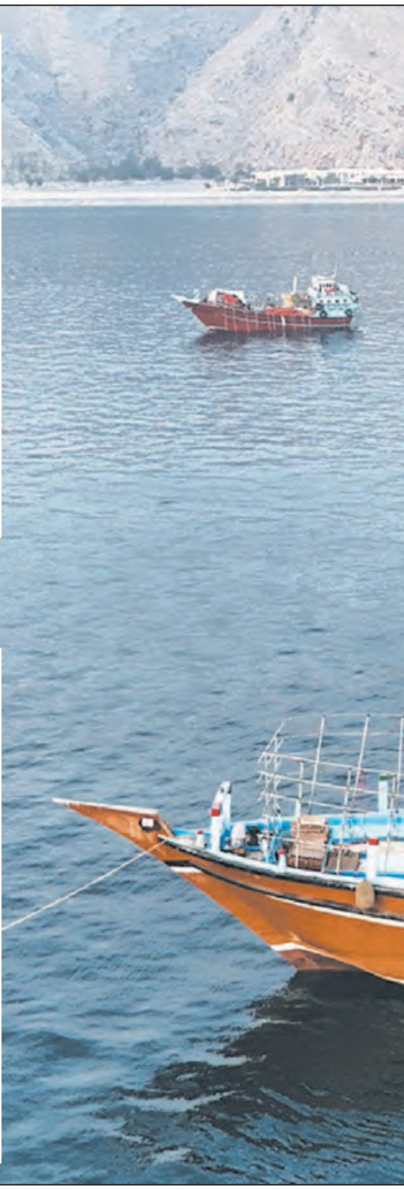
TIT-FOR-TAT: The United States struck Iran (above) in retaliation for a drone strike on a cargo ship in the Strait of Hormuz, as well as the Islamic Republic's attacks on Bahrain (below), one of America's Gulf allies.



Tehran returns to table

By JOSH CHRISTENSON
and RONNY REYES

The US and Iran have agreed to meet after the Islamic Republic suffered blows in the peace deal relating to the Strait of Hormuz and Lebanon, a US official told The Post.

The Islamic Republic resorted to attacks against ships in the strait and US allies in the Middle East after the latest developments threatened Iran's control over the critical oil chokepoint, according to the source.

The tit-for-tat attacks, however, are set to stop after the US and Iran agreed to end hostilities on Sunday ahead of peace talks set to take place in Qatar on Tuesday, the official added.

'No new buyers'

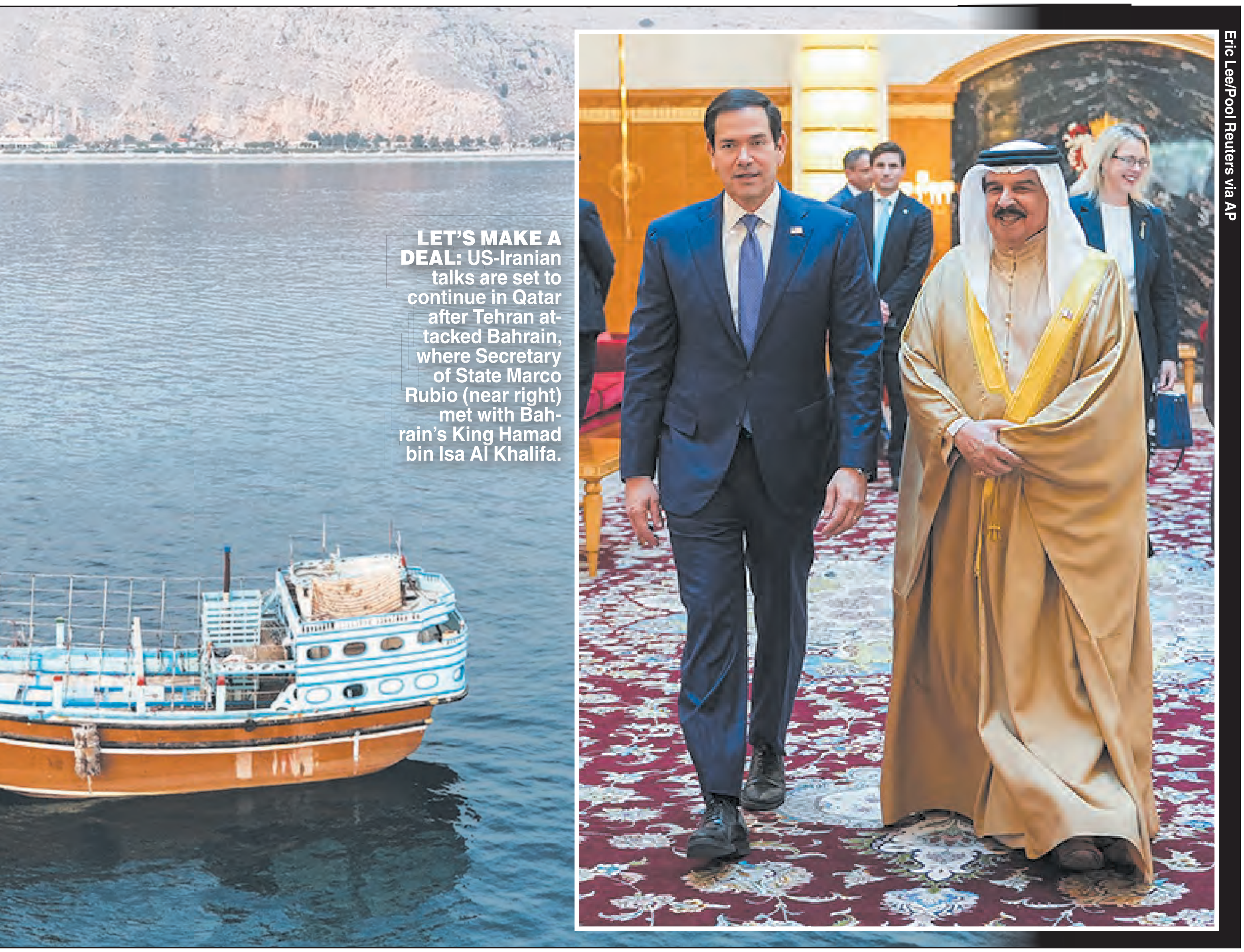
One of the key points that allegedly pushed Iran to act was US Central Command working with the International Maritime Organization to escort ships through the Omani side of the strait.

The action undermined Tehran's control over the vital shipping route, which faced a big challenge after Oman stated that it did not support a toll system through the waterway.

"The Omani statement of no tolls really undercut the Iranian position," the official said.

The Islamic Republic is also supposedly upset it has not been able to find new buyers for its oil after the US lifted sanctions against Iran last week.

UP THE HEAT



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LET'S MAKE A DEAL: US-Iranian talks are set to continue in Qatar after Tehran attacked Bahrain, where Secretary of State Marco Rubio (near right) met with Bahrain's King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

after hostilities threaten peace

Officials from the National Iranian Oil Co. have reportedly gone around Asia to offer refiners discounted oil to expedite sales, but it remains unclear how many deals have manifested.

'Boxed out'

As Iran attempts to capitalize on the cash flow secured through the memorandum of understanding, Tehran is also demanding the US unleash its frozen assets.

"We were always very clear with them that frozen funds would only be released as progress is made on the nuclear issue," the US official said.

Along with issues related to the oil chokepoint, Iran is also frustrated to have been boxed out of the Israel-Lebanon peace talks.

The latest agreement, which was rejected by Hezbollah, calls on the Iran-backed terrorist group to disarm in return for Israel withdrawing from southern Lebanon.

It remains unclear how the deal would move forward without Hezbollah's backing after previous cease-fires fell apart due to the same issue.

'Complete the job'

Despite the back-and-forth attacks, the US and Iran are still holding negotiations under the memorandum of understanding, with both sides trying to gain leverage over the other.

Iran has since ordered the Strait of Hormuz closed again for the next 30 days before reopening the passageway, which previously saw about 20% of the world's oil transports.

Meanwhile, President Trump has once again threatened total destruction of the Islamic Republic if the escalation continues.

"There may come a point when we are no longer able to be reasonable, and will be forced to militarily complete the job that we very successfully started," the commander in chief wrote on Truth Social.

Iran needs its nukes: state news

Iran has "no choice" but to develop a nuclear bomb, a media outlet linked to the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps said — the latest threat to the peace deal.

The article, titled "No choice but to build the atomic bomb," claims that Iran must negotiate with its enemies from a position of strength, and was published by Iranian state news outlet Fars on Sunday.

"To achieve the peace and calm that Iran needs, it must absolutely reach nuclear deterrence to ensure that the rest of the issues can be resolved through negotiation," thunders the piece, before comparing Iran's situation with the US to that of China in the 1970s.

"America threatened China with nuclear attack twice — similar to Trump's recent nuclear threats against Iran — but when did Kissinger secretly meet with the Chinese and then negotiate? It was when China built the atomic bomb," the article continues.

"Nuclear deterrence means that you can reach a balance of power against America and Israel, who possess atomic bombs — not so that war does not happen, but so that the scope of conflict remains controllable," it goes on.

Under the memorandum of understanding signed by Washington and Tehran earlier this month, Iran agreed to allow International Atomic Energy Agency inspectors to regain access to its nuclear sites after oversight was suspended last year.

It also pledged it would not develop a nuclear weapon.

The US has called on Iran to pause all nuclear enrichment for 20 years.

The Fars report comes after the head of the IAEA called for inspectors to be given full access to Iran's nuclear sites for monitoring.

"The government of Iran has affirmed quite clearly that [developing nuclear weapons] is not their intention, but of course, intentions are not enough," IAEA Director-General Rafael Grossi told reporters on Friday. "In order to have certainty, we need to have a very strong system of verification as soon as practicable."

Iran agreed to allow IAEA inspectors to return in September, but it has not yet granted access to the nuclear sites that were bombed by President Trump in 2025.

Anthony Blair

‘BUST’-ED STORY

YouTuber vid sparks ‘harass’ of PBA prez

UNWELCOME: Sean Reyes (inset) posted video of his arrest by Suffolk PBA president Lou Civello (right).

Facebook

By BRANDON CRUZ

A popular YouTube activist released video of his trespassing arrest at the Suffolk County PBA headquarters, and the union leader said he’s receiving death threats over the social media ambush.

Sean Reyes, aka The Long Island Auditor, was arrested last Thursday for trespassing at the Police Benevolent Association building in Brentwood, where he arrived in a billboard truck plastered with The Post’s reporting on cops who admitted to misconduct but allowed to stay on the force until their pensions kicked in.

But PBA president Lou Civello said he’s now getting death threats because of the YouTuber’s personal “campaign of harassment” and threats that he’ll come to his home.

Reyes is known for videos where he shows up at public buildings, essentially testing if officials will call authorities and ask him to leave.

“I drove my billboard truck to the police union headquarters to peacefully exercise my First Amendment rights and to speak to union president Lou Civello about the reports of misconduct settlements that are extremely concerning,” Reyes said in his video, uploaded at 10 a.m. on Sunday.

The billboard truck displayed a photo of Civello and said he “defends officers who admitted to misconduct.”

In the video, Reyes approaches to the lobby of the union’s headquarters with his camera ,but he doesn’t get past the doors as security blocked him from coming in.

A few minutes later, Civello and two other officers greet a woman waiting at the door before informing Reyes he’s on private property.

‘Death threats’

Civello repeatedly tells Reyes to leave or face arrest, and the YouTuber — who has over 1 million subscribers — says that he is leaving and asks Civello to come on his show.

Civello then announces that he is going to place him under arrest.

“You’re such a tough guy then do it then,” Reyes snaps to Civello, who then arrests him as fellow officer CJ Hunter grabs the camera and turns it off, the video shows.

Civello had said last week Reyes threatened officers and even said he would come to the labor leader’s home, sparking the arrest.

The video does not show that.

But the PBA boss said the video doesn’t tell the whole story.

“Mr. Reyes was lawfully arrested after illegally entering and remaining on private property,” Civello said in a statement.

“Since then he has engaged in a campaign of harassment against me, making videos referencing my children and repeatedly threatening to come to my home,” he said, adding that he has received numerous death threats.”

Reyes was charged with trespassing in the third degree. He plans to protest his arrest in front of the PBA headquarters in Brentwood on July 1.

Audit snares retirees

Nearly 100 Nassau County retirees were caught double-dipping on Medicare checks for over 20 years — costing taxpayers over $1.6 million, a new audit found.

Some 94 county retirees were confirmed to have collected Medicare Part B reimbursements from Nassau County for spouses who are also retired public workers — while those same spouses still collected a payment for the same bill from their own former public employers, according to the audit released June 15 audit by county Comptroller Elaine Phillips.

Nassau is required by state law and union contracts to reimburse eligible retirees and their spouses for Medicare Part B premiums, which is the monthly cost of coverage for doctor visits and outpatient care.

The county cuts those checks twice a year, with one simple rule — retirees can only collect those reimbursements from one source.

But nobody was checking if retirees were following the rules, until Phillips’ office launched a probe in October after staff stumbled upon the duplicate payments dating as far back as 2002, according to the audit.

Her office then combed through health benefits records for all 10,240 living Nassau retirees — flagging 99 of them, the audit read.

Out of that 99, five spouses cleared themselves of wrongdoing by proving they weren’t collecting elsewhere.

Brandon Cruz

Chicago boat crash kills 1

A New York State native was killed in a horrific multi-boat crash on Lake Michigan late Thursday night that left 4 seriously injured.

Johanna Gregory, 26, died when a boat allegedly overtook another vessel, causing a collision at approximately 11:30 p.m. near Chicago’s Monroe Harbor, Jason Lach, deputy district chief of the Chicago Fire Department’s Marine Dive Operations, told reporters Friday.

She died Friday morning after being rushed to a hospital in grave condition.

Gregory, a pediatric occupational therapist originally from Rochester, started a new job in February, according to her LinkedIn profile. *Nicholas McEntyre*

Teen vic in rape spike nabe

A city neighborhood is living in fear after a 13-year-old girl was raped in a popular park Thursday — as sex assaults have more than doubled in the community over last year.

Police are looking for the fiend who dragged the teen into Van Cortlandt Park in North Riverdale in The Bronx and attacked her before running off — a crime that occurred amid a disturbing recent 120% spike in sexual attacks in the area.

“I have to walk with my wife to the store now,” a local resident told The Post on Sunday.

The NYPD says there have been 22 rapes between Jan. 1 and June 21, up from 10 last year. *Kevin Sheehan*

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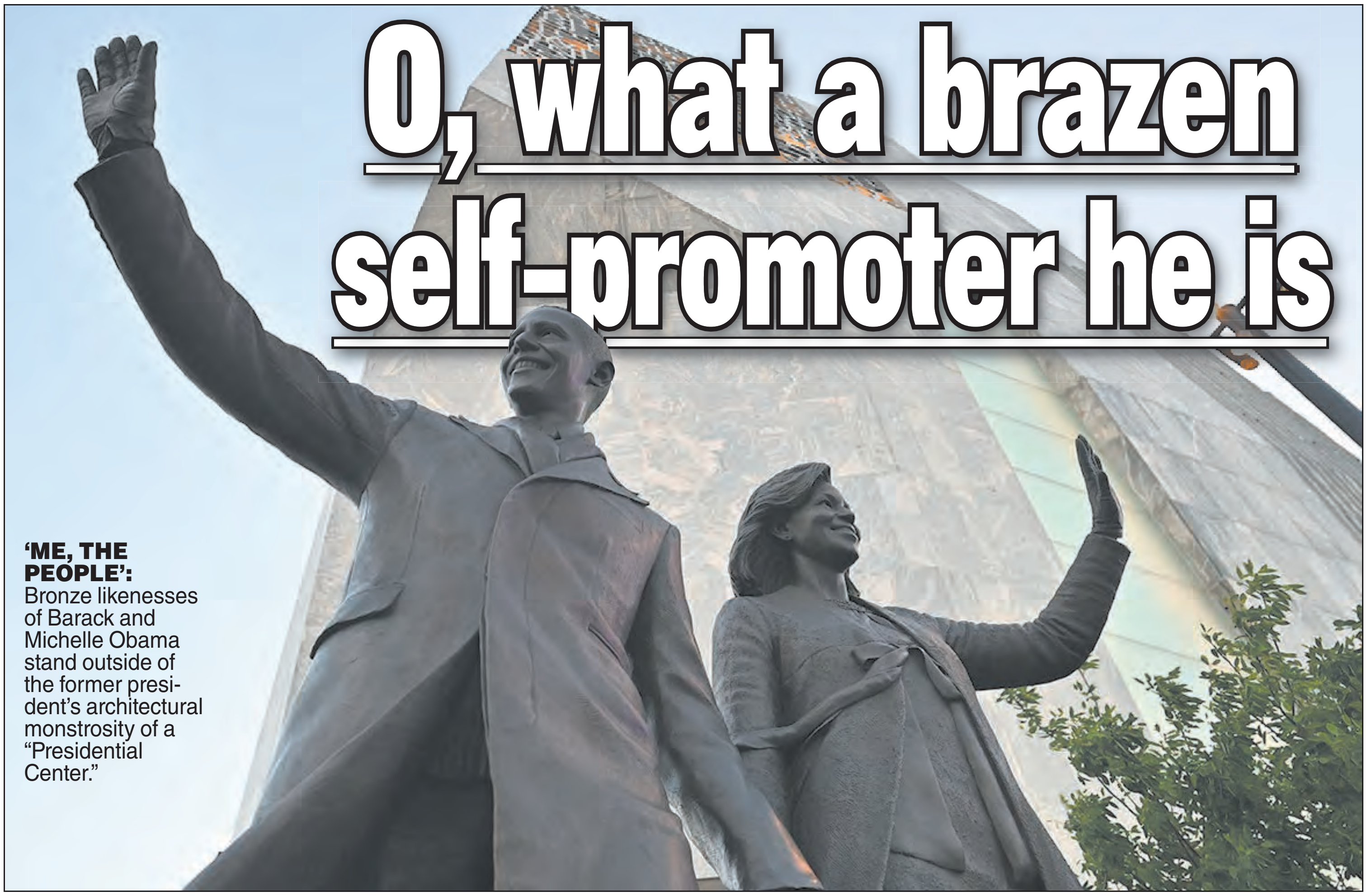
O, what a brazen self-promoter he is



'ME, THE PEOPLE': Bronze likenesses of Barack and Michelle Obama stand outside of the former president's architectural monstrosity of a "Presidential Center."

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JUST as his party is overrun by communist revolutionaries, Barack Obama has decided to take center stage in a frenetic public relations campaign, ostensibly to promote his so-called library.

He's here, there and everywhere, silkily opining about everything under the sun, except the only thing that matters: the disintegration of his party. Like Nero playing the fiddle while Rome burned, Obama is curiously detached from the disaster he helped create.

Democrats desperately need a leader to rally around, but all they have is Obama.

He is the only former Democratic president who is still sharp, charismatic and dynamic enough to take up the mantle.

Bill Clinton, while reasonably well-liked and not crazy, despite his wife, has significant health problems and is in no shape to do more than make the occasional token appearance and help raise money.

Clearly, Joe Biden, the only other living former Democratic president, can barely function in public, as was evident in his Saturday night performance at a fundraiser for the Maryland Democratic Party.

Quite why he — or Dr. Jill — would want to mark the second anniversary of his disastrous final debate humiliation against Donald Trump by fumbling through his first keynote address in a casino at a boxing-themed "Fight Back & Win" gala is a mystery.

Trump derangement

Maybe it's because he can't rest unless he is exorcising the Trump monster still living in his head.

"He even hired his old pool guy to fix the Reflecting Pool. Whoa, what a loser," Biden said of his predecessor-turned-successor.

The audience clapped like seals because all the establishment wing of the party has, by way of policies or aspiration, is Trump derangement.

So all eyes turn to Obama, a lithe and relatively youthful 64, whose God-given gifts still shine brightly, as the savior who will lead them out of the wilderness of "Democratic Socialism," open borders and rigged elections, and back to the promised land of common sense policies and voter enthusiasm.

But he has nothing.

He is out and about promoting his $850 million Obama Presidential Center that squats menacingly on the shores of Lake Michigan in 19 acres of public parkland gifted to Obama by the City of Chicago when his former chief of staff, Rahm Emanuel, was mayor. But what he's really promoting is himself.

The granite-clad building's grim, brutalist design is an unwitting symbol of his benighted presidency, despoiling its beautiful surroundings and offering nothing uplifting or ennobling to the chumps who pay $30 to go inside.

Dubbed "The Obamination," it's been likened to a Klingon prison, a megalith, a toilet and a trash can.

But inside is where the fun starts.

The grand opening two weeks ago — on the fake new racial holiday Juneteenth, of course — was attended by Obama-worshipping luminaries such as Oprah Winfrey, Tom Hanks, George Lucas (perhaps looking for inspiration for the next Death Star), Stephen Colbert, Stevie Wonder (who at least was spared the ugliness), Bruce Springsteen and Bono. Obama basked in their adulation as they oohed and ahhed at the wonders of his creation.

All the living presidents except you-know-who attended. Obama did the chummy routine he's adopted lately with Republican George W. and Laura Bush, palling around and grinning for photographs as if the ex-presidents are all one big happy bipartisan family, only ruined by the dreaded Trump.

At the end of the ceremony, Obama played air guitar on stage, and Dr. Jill abandoned her befuddled husband to scurry off with the cool kids, yet again shirking her duty of ensuring Joe wasn't embarrassed in public by his inability to find the exit.

Enjoys Joe humiliation

Obama, the host, didn't mind that Joe was humiliated. All the better to showcase his superiority, just like that time during the campaign when he led the disoriented then-president off stage in ostentatiously attentive fashion at a George Clooney-hosted fundraiser in LA. Poor Joe probably won't ever get a library because the donors want to forget he ever existed, and that suits Obama down to the ground. He wants nobody to overshadow his legacy.

Just like the ceremony, the library-that-is-not-a-library is a monument to the self-regarding former president.

Obama is the central focus of the entire museum, with enormous portraits and photographs of Barack and Michelle as imperial rulers, and dozens of installations, interactive exhibits and videos depicting his inspirational life story as the first black president.

His blackness is depicted as the essence of his presidency, although, technically, he only half qualifies. The parts of the museum that aren't devoted to him are shrines to black people, artists, storytellers, activists, community organizers and regular black people from Chicago's South Side, which the Hawaii-born Obama has appropriated for his origin story.

Just as his presidency was never all-inclusive, so, too, does his center seek to divide and conquer.

Obama's dulcet tones echo through every room like the disembodied voices in "1984" or "Brave New World" that tell citizens what to think, who to hate, what to believe and how to behave: "I'm asking you to believe, not in my ability to bring about change but in yours," he intones.

That doesn't sound too different from the hypnopaedic slogans in "Brave New World," Aldous Huxley's sci-fi classic: "Everyone belongs to everyone else;" "I'm glad I'm not an Epsilon;" "Progress is lovely."

Even lefty New York Magazine was appalled by the narcissism, describing the Obama center as "a dimly lit multistory shrine to the president as prophet [with] messages of humility [blazing] from every wall and screen."

The biggest gaslight of all is seen in the 4-foot-high, monumental concrete letters engraved atop the building in which Obama humbly quotes himself: "The single most powerful word in our democracy is the word 'We.' "

"We" doesn't mean what we think it means. It means racial division, Obama style, which was the single legacy of his presidency, paving the way for Trump's ascension and laying the ground for the Democrats' current civil war.

One day, somebody should take a chisel to those concrete letters and replace "We" with "Me."

At least that would be historically accurate.

Ex-WH aide's new campaign

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Humble pop royal

GENETIC Material Girl? **Madonna** says daughter **Lourdes Leon** doesn't want to be "perceived as taking advantage of her privilege" as the Queen of Pop's daughter. The pair collaborate on a song on Madonna's new album, "Confessions II" — but the singer says Leon, 29, was "very reticent" about doing the track. "She has a much better voice than I do," Madge told the BBC's **Graham Norton**. "She approached me. She's been very reticent to work with me, she doesn't want to be perceived as my daughter taking advantage of her privilege." Still, she said, "She came to me and said, 'Let's write a song together. I think it'll be a very healing experience.'"

Breathtaking gig

THERE was a nervy moment when **Harry Styles** appeared to choke on water during a concert at Wembley Stadium in London. During his closing number, the former One Direction singer (above) sprayed water out of his mouth and into the air (apparently, it's a signature move of his). But he seemed to choke on the liquid, fell onto his back and appeared to struggle to breathe. According to People, he lay on the stage for nearly 20 seconds before climbing back to his feet and resuming the performance, apparently in good spirits.

MELANIA Trump's former top aide, **Stephanie Winston Wolkoff**, is determined to not be defined by her unceremonious White House departure.

"Melania was one chapter of my life. It's not my story," Vogue alum Wolkoff, who penned a memoir about their friendship and the FLOTUS rift, told Page Six.

She has moved on to her next act: producing TV shows.

Wolkoff recently produced "Gunslingers," and her latest project is executive producing "The Trouble with Billy," a fictionalized TV show based on and starring '90s heartthrob **William McNamara**, as well as **Billy Baldwin** and her brother **Randall Batinkoff**, who brought her on to the project. McNamara lost everything at the height of his fame, primarily due to alcohol and drug abuse.

"I know something about rebuilding life after your worst chapter, and I know no one should be defined by a single moment," she said.

The fashion insider was a confidant of Trump's before her husband, **Donald Trump**, ran for office, and she joined her in the East Wing as an adviser. But Wolkoff got the boot after it was revealed her firm received some $26 million for helping plan Donald's first inauguration. Wolkoff claimed she was a "scapegoat" and that she only personally received a fraction of that sum.

She's been making the rounds in NYC to get the word out about the show, which streams on Red Coral Universe. She and McNamara were spotted at **Eliut Rivera**'s salon earlier last week, where they linked up with **Hilaria Baldwin**.

Last Thursday, they hosted a joint party with **Noel Ashman** at Aquarelle to celebrate his birthday and the premiere of their show.

"I don't want to be defined by politics or betrayal. I want to spend my time creating stories that remind us to look beyond the headline, believe in second chances and never lose sight of the person behind the public image," she said.

He's her Ace! Noah Cyrus (center) visits Ace Carter, a 4-year-old patient with hypoplastic left heart syndrome, and his family at a hospital in North Carolina.

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'Summer' romance heats up for reality stars

"SUMMER" loving! A Page Six spy spotted "Summer House" star **Kyle Cooke** and "Next Gen NYC" breakout **Ava Dash** (daughter of designer **Rachel Roy** and hip-hop mogul **Damon Dash**) looking cozy at the Palm Tree Music Festival on the Shinnecock Nation grounds in Southampton over the weekend — despite Cooke previously denying there was anything romantic between them. "They were hanging out at a table in the VIP section for sponsor Celsius," a spy tells us. "It seemed like something romantic was going on from the way they looked at each other. There was definitely a vibe that they were into each other." Another source tells us they witnessed the reality stars locking lips. "They were kissing openly," says the spy. Cooke, 43, denied he and Dash, 26, were dating in March following reports they were holding hands at a dinner. "I am not [dating Dash]," he told **Andy Cohen**. "No, that was a very friendly dinner." Another source close to Cooke insists they are not dating. Cooke was previously married to co-star **Amanda Batula**.

Biz gets Spiked up

APPARENTLY there's some Knicks merch that **Spike Lee** didn't already own? The director — who is routinely spotted wearing head-to-toe blue and orange at Madison Square Garden games — was spotted at Legends Sporting Goods in Bay Ridge, where he loaded up on Knicks gear. We're told the Brooklyn legend made the day of fellow shoppers, stopping to pose for photos with fans. We hear he left wearing a white-and-blue Mitchell & Ness jacket, which was among his purchases, and he was seen posing on the street in front of the Fifth Avenue location. The shop has been in business for 40 years and also has a location in Staten Island.

Court'ship ended

COURTENEY Cox and **Johnny McDaid** have split after 10 years of dating, according to the Daily Mail. Pals of the pair told the outlet the breakup wasn't "ugly" but that the duo was living "different lives." One friend told the Daily Mail, "Johnny speaks incredibly highly of Courteney. They had a very deep relationship and they remain extremely amicable. They are great friends and care about each other very much." Page Six reached out to reps for Cox (above) and McDaid for comment. The Snow Patrol musician and "Friends" star met at a house party hosted by the latter in 2013. She divorced husband **David Arquette** in 2013.

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"One Battle After Another" actress **Chase Infiniti** jokes around with Ateez band members **Yeosang** (left) and **Jongho** while filming a music video.

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Knick balls out on Broadway

HE returned the favor. **Mariska Hargitay** was a fixture courtside during the Knicks' championship season — even when it meant sprinting from her Broadway show to Madison Square Garden. Last Friday, a Knicks star made a surprise appearance at her Broadway show, "Every Brilliant Thing." **Jalen Brunson** and Hargitay met backstage with their respective spouses, **Ali Marks** and **Peter Hermann**. A source told People that the NBA champ, 29, sat center orchestra at the Hudson Theatre, watching Hargitay narrate the play. Toward the end of the show, the "ER" alum searched through a box and pulled out Brunson's Knicks jersey. The audience then gave the athlete a standing ovation. Brunson went backstage after the show to give Hargitay her flowers. "It was so sweet. He was congratulating her and telling her how much he loved the show," a source told People. "She was so thrilled he was there. You could see how much admiration they have for one another."

Pret-Tay rough

GUESS he could say he collaborated with **Taylor Swift** on a record? Country star **Aaron Lewis** seems to have suffered a pretty brutal indignity: Someone appears to have shredded the packaging from his upcoming album to use as packing material for **Swift**'s records. "Ain't that some s--t," Lewis wrote on social media, responding to a fan's video, which showed the fan opening a package containing Swift's "I Knew It, I Knew You" CD collection. The confused fan pieces together shredded paper that revealed the cover of Lewis' unreleased record "Give Me Back My Country."

Peak of health

KATE Middleton completed a challenging hike to raise money for cancer care. The Princess of Wales, 44, took on the National Three Peaks Challenge yesterday — a 24-hour endurance event that involves climbing the highest peaks in Scotland, England and Wales. Middleton successfully climbed Ben Nevis in Scotland, Scafell Pike in England and Snowdon in Wales. "I have taken on the National Three Peaks Challenge, not simply as a physical endeavour but as a chance to explore life beyond diagnosis and to give something back," she said.

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Former "SNL" star **Bowen Yang** can't contain his joy yesterday as grand marshal of NYC's annual Pride parade.

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Starmaker's stellar legacy

Cindy Adams

A belated goodbye to my neighbor and longtime friend, Clive Davis.

Barely days before he left, we hugged one another. It was our favored Ralph Lauren's Polo Bar dinner spot. Me, table for two against the left wall — his round table with friends alongside. Clive walked over to kiss me. Who knew it was the last I'd see him.

I recall our chat. The music genius who manufactured Whitney, Aretha, **Alicia**, **Springsteen**, Joplin and **Simon** and **Garfunkel**. I asked will a Bing Crosby- or Frank Sinatra-type song ever come again?

"Decades change music. Currently, hip-hop dominates. Also country and pop.

"Who believed this could happen to me? At 18, I lost my parents in one year. With $4,000 to my name and help from others, I got an NYU scholarship. Three years of law got me into a law firm that represented Columbia Records. I became chief counsel. That's how I got into music.

"I've been chief creative officer of Sony. My Grammys are on their shelves. NYU established a museum in my honor. Two floors. My whole life story, from signing Whitney to her passing. I not only signed her, but brought her 18 songs for each album. Our ears were in sync with each other.

"I missed out on Meat Loaf, who seemed unlikely. Even others did not see him as an enduring artist. Also, **John Mellencamp**."

Clive's recent birthday party drew Earth, Wind & Fire, **Busta Rhymes**, **Lin-Manuel Miranda** — plus another 600. And his favorite song? Simon and Garfunkel's "Bridge Over Troubled Water."

And if he could, what would he say to his mom?

"I done good."

Music legend Clive Davis, who helped launch Whitney Houston's career, died last week at 94.

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Going nuclear over all the lies

FACTS? There are none. Mullahs won't allow inspectors. Both our parties create wild propaganda. Facts? What facts? It's reality gone amok. Iran, even with July Fourth firecrackers up their assets, could allow inspections tomorrow. But won't. The idea's as dead as Robin Hood's tree.

Plan A went poop. It's now Plan B. Bribe the villains. The situation changes hourly — faster than 56-year-old **Lopez** changes bras. Can peace be bought when dealing with terrorists? We who have lived in that part of the world know how they operate. Mrs. **Biden** tells more truth.

Tehran survives — momentarily.

Falls-back trip

SKIP the Hamptons, shove the Rockaways, stay away from Rikers. Discover new summer spots. Like New York's Finger Lakes. Like Taughannock Falls State Park. Like 215-foot waterfalls carved 10,000 years ago when **Jill Biden** was a brunette. There's a wine up there called "Gewürz." Comes with Kleenex.

Big shoes to fill

CAMERON Diaz has large feet and often has shoes custom-made … **Nicolas Cage**: "I've used fear to work for me" … **Mike Tyson**: "Fear is fine. It can cook for you or it can burn your house down" … James Gandolfini: "I'm basically a 260-pound **Woody Allen**" … **Engelbert Humperdinck** won't wear green clothes or ride in green cars. Thinks the color's unlucky.

IF crime doesn't pay, how come so many want to be lawyers?

Mostly in New York, kids, mostly in New York.

Russia hit hard by Ukr.

Ukraine kept up its heavy drone assault on Russia, setting fire to a major oil refinery in the south, as President Vladimir Putin acknowledged for the first time on Sunday that the country was facing a "certain deficit" of fuel and vowed to strengthen protection of oil facilities and boost fuel output.

Ukraine has markedly stepped up its long-range attacks on Russian military industries and energy facilities in recent months, aiming to cut Moscow's revenue for its invasion and make Russians feel the consequences.

"Our 'long-range sanctions' reached two oil refineries in Russia," Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy wrote on the Telegram messaging app on Sunday. "Each (strike) means a reduction in the resources that fuel the Russian war machine, and another step toward peace."

The campaign has choked Russian fuel supplies, causing widespread shortages and long lines at gas stations across the country and prompting authorities in many regions to introduce fuel rationing. According to Western analysts, it has also slowed Moscow's efforts on the battlefield, heaping pressure on the Kremlin to negotiate. *AP*

High risk for Putin's troops

New Russian recruits have a life expectancy of just 20 to 35 minutes in combat in Ukraine, showing how quickly Vladimir Putin's troops are falling victim to drone warfare, according to reports from Moscow.

Once a soldier is signed up to fight, he can expect to live for just 10 days to three weeks, from arrival at the training ground to death in combat, historian Peter Frankopan wrote in an op-ed for Foreign Policy, citing Russian military bloggers.

As the conflict in Ukraine approaches the 4½-year mark, Russian military officials are desperately seeking new soldiers for Putin's meat grinder. *Anthony Blair*

'Isabelle' is full of emotion, and a touch creepy

Netflix does a bit 'bedder'

Johnny Oleksinski
MOVIE REVIEW

VOICEMAILS FOR ISABELLE
As good as they rom-com(e).
Running time: 118 minutes.
Rated TV-14 (sexual content, alcohol use, suggestive jokes, frequent foul language and some comedic violence).
On Netflix.
★★★

A CLICK BEFORE DYING: An ailing Ciara Bravo lives vicariously through her sister's messages in the enjoyable "Voicemails for Isabelle."

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NETFLIX is giving me rom-com whiplash.

On June 5, Jennifer Lopez starred in an execrable one for the streamer called "Office Romance" — I wonder what that's about! — which embarrassingly failed to bring Jenny from the Aughts' Hollywood heyday back to life.

And then just two weeks later arrived the infinitely better "Voicemails for Isabelle," a sweet and funny if stalkerish movie that nostalgically harks back to the 2010s and those love-centric films that often came with a heaping scoop of heartache.

Watching Netflix's tries has been like plucking flower petals: I love them, I love them not, I love them, I love them not.

This one I like.

Dramatic 'faults'

Given the rawly emotional tone of "Isabelle," you'd think it was based on a popular young-adult novel. Yet it's neither about teens nor adapted from a book. Writer-director Leah McKendrick's characters are in their 20s, and the plot is original. Of course, her movie is also keenly aware that no romance film is ever fully original.

"You're so dramatic," says Isabelle (Ciara Bravo), who suffers from cystic fibrosis, to her worried sister Jill when her health deteriorates. "This is not 'A Walk to Remember.'"

Responds Jill (Zoey Deutch): "But is it 'A Fault in Our Stars'?"

The pair are inseparable best friends, and we watch them cutely grow up together from 2010 to 2026 — jamming out to "Dancing On My Own" by Robyn, showing playground bullies who's boss and starting accidental kitchen fires.

As Isabelle's worsening condition keeps her at home, Jill is able to spread her wings, go to prom and meet boys. Still, the sisters make a habit of ringing each other constantly so Isabelle can live vicariously through Jill's phone.

When she suddenly dies, a despondent Jill keeps leaving diary-like, frequently hilarious phone messages for her — unable to cope with the loss.

Only her late sister's number has, unbeknownst to Jill, been reassigned — to a stud!

That's Wes (Nick Robinson), an Austin, Texas, businessman who raptly listens to her voicemails like they're episodes of his favorite soap opera. He becomes so enamored with Jill that he takes a work trip to San Francisco, where she works in the pastry shop of a jackass "Top Chef" contestant (Nick Offerman), and seeks her out. He uses his knowledge of Jill to flirt. That scheme works and they date.

The drama is that smitten Wes, while well intended, neglects to mention to his new girl that he's been devouring her personal recordings for weeks as if they were a podcast.

Her every breath

That's, erm, a little weird. And "Voicemails for Isabelle" shares a bit in common with the Police song "Every Breath You Take." It sounds like an easy-listening hit until you pay close attention to the serial-killer lyrics.

You'll get over that. Because McKendrick is very careful with the tone of her movie, and impressively circumnavigates creep territory. As the complications and Wes' guilt pile up, the film successfully argues that he fell for the most vulnerable and honest version of Jill. So what if he did it through textbook invasion of privacy?

This shrewd director knows two truths: Viewers will always give hot people the benefit of the doubt, and the core audience for this flick dreams that some guy who owns a house with a pool will become obsessively infatuated with them, too.

McKendrick is also lucky to have Deutch, an energetic, idiosyncratic and underrated actress whom everybody is finally starting to catch onto.

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By Ian Mohr

Welcome to Page Six Hollywood...

In today's newsletter, we have a mix of news that only P6H can provide!

Writer at Large **Tatiana Siegel** looks at the controversy surrounding **Casey Wasserman** after another recording artist exited his agency on Tuesday in the wake of the bombshell Epstein data dump, as well as his alleged feud with WME superagent **Ari Emanuel.**

We deployed Senior Columnist **Peter Kiefer** on a

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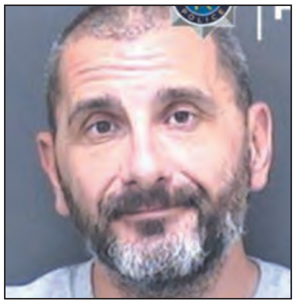

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World Cup "alibi" bid.

Stalker in celeb 'murder'

A British stalker fatally beat a popular Colombian influencer and stuffed her body in a suitcase — then tried to use a World Cup game as his alibi, officials and a report said.

Matthew Ashley Foster-Smith, 46, of Bournemouth was taken into custody in Ecuador on Saturday in the death of Natalia Villalba, 36.

Villalba was staying at an apartment in a trendy part of Bogota when she was killed on June 18, with authorities locating her body days later in a suitcase under a running shower, The Sun reported.

Foster-Smith, who was twice convicted of stalking women in the UK, was reportedly caught on CCTV cameras in the building taking bedsheets to a laundry room around the same time.

Villalba's mother said she last heard from her content-creator daughter June 18, with cleaning staff entering her room three days later when her reservation was up.

Ronny Reyes

Dead infant at music fest

The body of a newborn was discovered inside a porta-potty on the campgrounds of a Michigan music festival Sunday morning.

The infant's body was found in a portable restroom at the Electric Forest festival campgrounds in Rothbury, CBS News reported.

An employee of the restroom vending company made the grim discovery while conducting routine maintenance, Michigan State Police told the outlet.

The exact age of the newborn was not yet known.

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FEAR & TREMBLING

Aftershocks as Venez. toll rises

By SHANE GALVIN

Mexican Army/AFP via Getty Images

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HELPING: Mexican Army troops load an injured boy into an ambulance Sunday in Venezuela's La Guaira state, while rescuers work at a collapsed building there.

Rescue workers from around the world battled aftershocks in Venezuela, as the desperate search for survivors of the catastrophic twin earthquakes entered its fourth day and the death toll climbed to over 1,400.

Tens of thousands were also still unaccounted for after back-to-back temblors, which reached magnitude 7.2 and 7.5, rocked the nation on Wednesday, according to National Assembly President Jorge Rodriguez, CNN reported.

In addition to 1,430 found dead so far, 3,000 have been injured and at least 68,900 people have been reported missing.

Three of the victims were identified as young soccer players, including one rising star who had hopes of playing for the national team.

Yimvert Berroteran, 18, was confirmed dead by the Venezuelan Football Federation on Friday.

"Venezuelan football bids a heart-wrenching farewell to a young man who represented our country's colors with pride, commitment and love," the organization wrote in a tribute.

Still shaking

Berroteran played for Venezuela's Under-20 team and was featured at forward in the 2025 Under-17 World Cup for the Land of Grace.

Two more young soccer players, 14-year old Victor Palacios and Razan Sijaa, who played on the U-18 Caracas FC team, were also killed by the fallout of the earthquakes, according to the Venezuelan Football Federation.

Earthquake aftershocks were felt around the country on Saturday, complicating rescue efforts.

"There have been rolling tremors every time we're on a phone with my team down there," Loyce Pace, the Red Cross' director for the Americas, told CNN.

"It's pretty constant and quite scary. It means that our teams have to be quite careful going into these communities to further assess the damage or deliver these services," Pace said.

"People want to get back home, they want to feel safe again, and yet there's some insecurity to their infrastructure, these buildings that are literally falling down, so we have to be quite careful in the weeks ahead," she said.

Aid to Venezuela is flying in from around the world with help abetted by the reopening of one of the runways at Simon Bolivar International Airport near the capital city, Caracas, on Saturday.

The US mobilized two elite search and rescue teams from Fairfax County Urban Search and Rescue in Virginia and Los Angeles within hours of the deadly temblors.

A total of 21 international aid delegations, comprising 2,000 workers, 96 search and rescue dogs, 40 cargo vehicles, and 3 metric tons of medicine have arrived in the country since Wednesday, CNN reported, citing Rodriguez.

With Wires

Phila. man's creepy lair, links to missing women

Investigators discovered a bizarre and twisted scene inside the Philadelphia home of a felon they're probing over possible links to at least two missing women — including a stockpile of dangerous chemicals, a 55-gallon drum, several urns, hidden compartments, multiple guns and a creepy handwritten letter with references to Ted Bundy.

Eugene Horsch, 44, was arrested on drug and firearms charges after the FBI and local police searched his home and found a trove of chemicals, firearms and drugs, Philadelphia Police Deputy Commissioner Frank Vanore announced.

Horsch's girlfriend had a fake ID with her photo on it — but with a name belonging to a woman who had been reported missing.

The woman whose name was on the fake ID was reported missing in February 2023, sources told the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Horsch's arrest also sparked concern from the family of Amy McHale, who vanished in 2016 and was last known to be at the Olney home, WPVI reported.

Zoe Hussain

AOC says break up Big Tech

WASHINGTON — Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez decried Apple's recent $200 price hikes on computers and tablets, which the tech giant blamed on a memory chip crunch — and called for breaking up Big Tech.

"We need to break up a lot of these companies that are far, far too big, and we need to be instituting consumer protections for people," the New York Democrat told Fox News.

Most analysts believe the "RAM-ageddon" crisis is a result of the rapid build-out of data centers to power artificial intelligence, which has turbocharged demand for memory chips.

She further dinged Big Tech companies for conducting mass layoffs over recent months and for pushing up energy prices for consumers, all while threatening to undermine people's jobs with AI. *Ryan King*

'Don't give up'

All can succeed

American Dreamers

Through July 4, The Post, in conjunction with the Milken Center for Advancing the American Dream, is featuring US citizens explaining what the American dream means to them in 2026 — including Meghan LeFevers, principal of Warlick Academy, a public alternative school in Gastonia, NC, geared toward students who may face challenges in a traditional classroom setting.

I THINK the American dream is the ability for individuals, no matter where they come from or what their label or disability may be, to find success.

Often in other countries where children with disabilities may not even be included, they may not even be allowed to attend school And here, that's not the case. That's such a precious opportunity.

Even in kindergarten, students can be behind because they have not had maybe early literacy exposure.

Every day I have the opportunity to go into that school environment and say [to the staff], "I believe that you can do this, and we're going to do this together. It's not going to be fun every day and it's not going to be easy by no means. But don't give up on them even when the days are hard."

That's truly the American dream and it's our opportunity and our responsibility as educators to help every child see that.

Success looks different for everybody, depending on what you're coming to the table with. Everybody's starting line is different, but the ending line is there. It may take you much longer to get there, it may take you a different path, you may have to take a break [or] refuel. But we can all get to the end, and that's the true success. Whatever your end looks like, that's where your success lies.

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OPPORTUNITY: Meghan LeFevers says kids deserve it.

[Teachers and staff] in this school building have the opportunity to create that American dream for students every day. We have to come together and be creative, because students and the responsibilities of schools have changed drastically over the years. And we have to be able to meet those changing goals. We have a lot of work to do as far as how we are making things accessible to everyone. [But] we have that opportunity.

The American Dream Video Project showcases real stories that illuminate pathways to opportunity. Featured at the Milken Center for Advancing the American Dream (MCAAD), this series is part of the Center's celebration of America's 250th anniversary. For more information, visit mcaad.org.

NY GOP's 'strong' position

Republicans are in a strong position to pick up congressional seats in New York in November, a defiant new GOP analysis claims — while Dems laughed off the notion as "fantasy."

The analysis by the National Republican Campaign Committee suggests that GOP gubernatorial candidate and Nassau County Executive Bruce Blakeman will run strong in the suburbs and upstate against Democratic Gov. Hochul — providing headwinds for party House candidates in some of the regions' swing districts.

"In New York, Republicans are in the strongest electoral position possible because while Kathy Hochul and Zohran Mamdani run the Empire State into the ground, Republicans are delivering," said NRCC spokeswoman Maureen O'Toole. *Carl Campanile*

Post Weather Report

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Monday

Today: Partly sunny and humid. High 82 to 88.

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Low 67 to 73.

Tuesday

Tomorrow: Warm; a t-storm around in the afternoon. High 86 to 92.

Tomorrow night: Partly cloudy. Low 70 to 76.

Wednesday

Very hot, humid. High 92 to 98. HOT

Evening
Clear; very warm. Low 78 to 84.

Thursday

Very hot. High 96 to 102. HOT

Evening
Clear; very warm. Low 79 to 85.

Almanac

YESTERDAY'S CONDITIONS AT CENTRAL PARK THROUGH 6PM

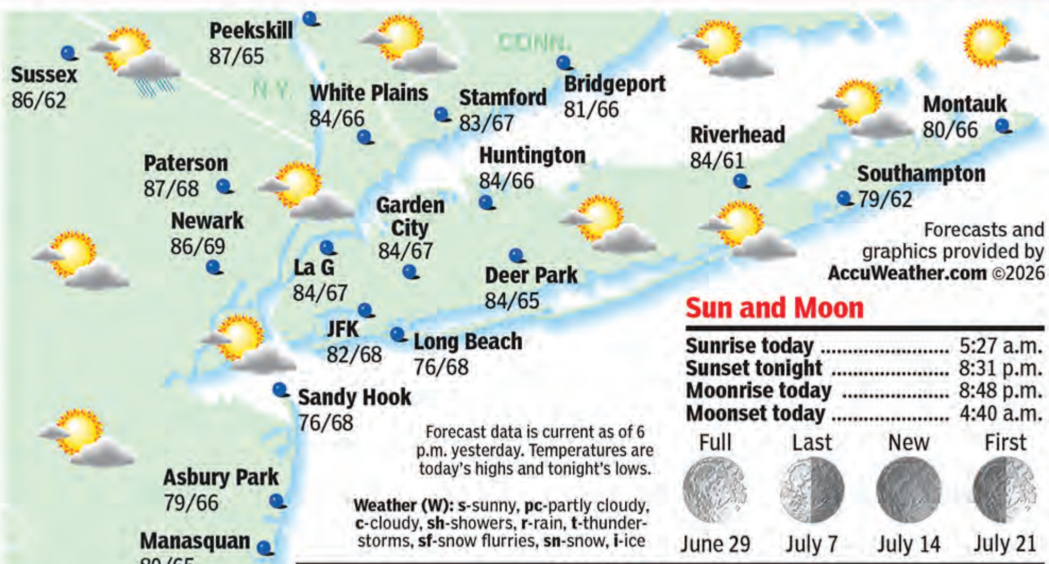
Temperature
High: 82, Low: 68, Mean: 75

Departure from Normal
Yesterday: -1 degrees

Precipitation
Yesterday: 0.00", Month: 3.39",
Year: 17.82", Normal year to date: 23.45"

Cooling Degree days yesterday 10
Total for the month (normal) 234 (205)
Total since Jan. 1 (normal) 372 (286)
Last year to date 295
Heat Index (at noon yest.) 81
UV index (for Mon.) .... 11 (Extreme)
Humidity (at noon) 62%

AIR QUALITY
Pollen: Moderate Predominant pollen: Trees, Grasses, Weeds
AQI rating: (for Mon.) ....Moderate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Forecast data is current as of 6 p.m. yesterday. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

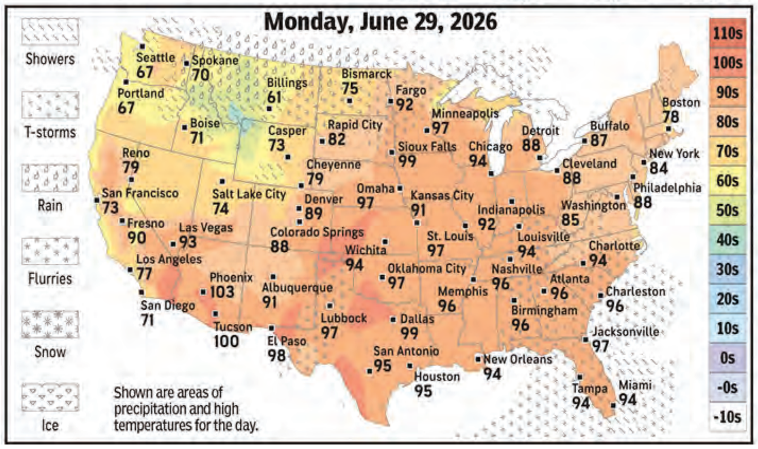
Weather (W): s-sunny, **pc**-partly cloudy, **c**-cloudy, **sh**-showers, **r**-rain, **t**-thunderstorms, **sf**-snow flurries, **sn**-snow, **i**-ice

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today .... 5:27 a.m.
Sunset tonight .... 8:31 p.m.
Moonrise today .... 8:48 p.m.
Moonset today .... 4:40 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
June 29	July 7	July 14	July 21

Monday, June 29, 2026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Shown are areas of precipitation and high temperatures for the day.

New York Tides

High Tide for	TODAY 1st	TODAY 2nd	TOMORROW 1st	TOMORROW 2nd
Coney Island	8:08a	8:18p	8:48a	8:56p
Fire Island	8:02a	8:34p	8:42a	9:11p
Hempstead	12:20p	---	12:09a	12:50p
Huntington	12:04p	---	12:03a	12:40p
Jones Inlet	7:52a	8:02p	8:32a	8:40p
Montauk Point	9:27a	9:46p	10:12a	10:27p
Port Washington	12:31p	---	12:16a	1:01p
Sandy Hook	8:12a	8:22p	8:52a	9:00p

Regional cities

Regional cities	TODAY	TOMORROW
Albany	88/64/pc	90/73/t
Danbury	86/63/pc	87/69/t
Glens Falls	85/57/s	85/69/t
Gr Barrington	87/60/pc	87/68/t
Kingston	90/64/pc	90/72/t
Liberty	84/63/pc	85/67/t
Monticello	85/61/pc	84/69/t
Newburgh	88/65/pc	89/71/t
Poughkeepsie	88/63/pc	89/69/t
Saratoga Springs	89/59/s	90/71/t
Stroudsburg	87/63/pc	88/66/t
Torrington	87/62/pc	89/69/t
Syracuse	88/68/s	91/76/t

World cities

World cities	TODAY	TOMORROW
Athens	94/73/s	96/74/s
Baghdad	110/87/s	114/87/s
Beijing	81/69/t	78/66/t
Berlin	84/66/t	81/66/c
Cairo	100/75/pc	99/75/pc
Dublin	68/57/sh	69/54/sh
Geneva	86/67/t	86/63/pc
Hong Kong	90/82/r	91/83/r
Jerusalem	86/69/s	87/67/s
Kabul	96/71/pc	97/73/pc
London	78/60/pc	77/58/pc
Madrid	96/71/s	98/71/s
Mexico City	71/57/r	72/57/r
Montreal	84/65/s	86/73/t
Moscow	68/55/pc	80/63/pc
Paris	82/58/pc	85/60/s
Rio de Janeiro	81/69/pc	78/68/pc
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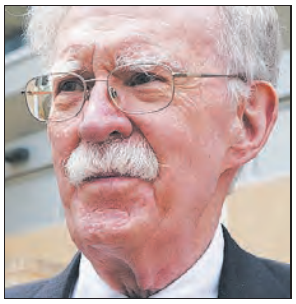
Sydney	65/55/pc	67/58/pc
Tokyo	82/71/t	84/71/t



JOHN BOLTON
Fell out with president.

Don rips Bolton after plea

President Trump on Friday mocked former National Security Adviser John Bolton after his one-time aide admitted to mishandling a classified national defense document.

Bolton pleaded guilty hours earlier during a hearing in US District Court in Greenbelt, Md., to one count of unauthorized possession of a national defense document.

His guilty plea was part of an agreement that will see prosecutors dismiss the remaining 17 counts.

The guilty plea prompted an immediate response from Trump, who has repeatedly clashed with Bolton over foreign policy and the former adviser's highly critical memoir ever since their very public falling out in 2019.

"John Bolton, a very dumb, unbalanced, and unskilled former representative of the United States of America, just pleads guilty!" Trump wrote in a Truth Social post late Friday.

Fox News

Missing NJ boys found

Police have located all three boys who vanished from a New Jersey train station on Friday in Stamford, Conn.

Montville Police Chief Andrew Caggiano told Fox News Digital that Brayden Morrissey, 14; Dominic Diliberto, 14, and William Connolly, 17, left the New Jersey township Thursday night.

MTA officers found the boys in Stamford, but the 14-year-olds fled.

Caggiano said they were later found.

Alexandra Koch, Fox News

FAB FIND FOR BEATLES FANS

Lost 1964 footage surfaces

By BRANDON CRUZ

Film from the Beatles' first-ever appearance on British TV show "Top of the Pops" in 1964 has resurfaced — footage fans have long called the holy grail of Beatlemania.

Film preservation group Film is Fabulous! announced it has unearthed a complete 35mm film of the Fab Four's March 19, 1964, performance at BBC's Television Theatre in London, where they performed "Can't Buy Me Love" and "You Can't Do That" one day before they were released on a single.

The footage — which captures four grainy takes of "Can't Buy Me Love" and two of "You Can't Do That," banter and bloopers included — was given to the group by the family of a deceased former industry professional.

The original 35mm film of the performance will now be restored and returned to the BBC archives, Film Is Fabulous! wrote on social media.

The BBC had wiped and reused the original tape, as it routinely did at the time, leaving only grainy, distorted fragments and negatives as known to survive for more than 60 years.

Public-viewing talks

John Lennon even got a moment in during the second take of "You Can't Do That," where he made a funny face when a camera moved in for a close-up.

"During breaks, the Beatles openly joked, and could be seen dancing to amuse themselves," the group said.

"Top of the Pops" is a musical institution across the pond, known for its "live" performances of bands lip-synching their hit songs.

When the public will get to see the footage remains unclear, though Film Is Fabulous! said discussions are underway to make the content available to a wide audience.

The footage is one of a number of lost television episodes that Film is Fabulous! has recovered in private collections as it works to preserve film.

The group also recently announced it had recovered a 16mm film of a variety show called "Once More with Felix" from 1968 that had long been missing from the archives. The recovered episode stars American folk singer Julie Felix, who was hugely popular on UK television at the time.

Ludwig
THE BEATLES

Redferns

CAN'T BUY THIS TROVE: Presumed-lost footage of a 1964 Beatles TV appearance has been unearthed.

Body of missing teen found in Kentucky lake

The body of a missing teen was recovered from a Kentucky lake during an extensive search days after she mysteriously vanished from a boating party, according to authorities.

The remains of Marly Kinney, 19, were pulled from Grayson Lake around 3:45 p.m. on Sunday — five days after she disappeared while partying on a rented pontoon boat with at least 10 friends, according to the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

Kinney, of Ashland, was last seen around 4 p.m. on Wednesday, before she went overboard to use the bathroom. Her group of friends didn't initially realize she was missing, according to investigators.

Multiple law enforcement agencies deployed sonar, thermal detectors, helicopters, K-9 teams, heat-seeking and underwater drones in the hunt for the missing teen, last seen in a pink, orange and white bikini.

More than 50 volunteers joined the search, despite scattered rain showers hampering efforts to find the girl. It's unclear how Kinney's body was eventually found.

Zoe Hussain

RAISING THE BARSTOOL

Dave Portnoy sets record straight on enemies — and his political aspirations

KIRSTEN FLEMING

FOR nearly two decades Dave Portnoy made his life and his company, Barstool Sports, into an online reality show of sorts — oversharing everything from office friction to his own dating life.

Now he's written a memoir. With so much already out there, why go through the trouble?

"Ego," Portnoy humbly told me. "The thought of walking into an airport and seeing this book in all the bookshops really appealed to me."

The Barstool honcho was tempted by the possibility that his book, "Cancel Me If You Can," out Tuesday, could potentially become the next "Private Parts" by Howard Stern, complete with a movie version.

So who would play him?

"Bradley Cooper. I like to say that I'm a poor man's Bradley Cooper," said the 49-year-old.

The book traces Portnoy's meteoritic rise from the owner of a free newspaper in Boston to a cultural lightning rod — with millions in the bank, an army of devoted "Stoolies" and a prominent role on Fox's "Big Noon Kickoff." Along the way, he sold his company for $551 million and, in 2023, bought it back for $1.

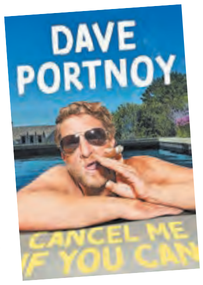
If Cooper is to play the media mogul, he better strengthen his jawbone.

The self-proclaimed "Don King of internet fights" made his name by unapologetically instigating feuds against powerful people and the media establishment.

In the book, he details the depths of his grudge against NFL commissioner Roger Goodell — and reveals he would willingly break bread with his nemesis.

"If I had dinner with Goodell, which I tried to, we would probably have squashed [our beef]," he said. But he also keeps a permanent enemies list that includes Business Insider and former "Call her Daddy" co-host Sofia Franklyn — whom he accuses of orchestrating a 2021 story with the publication that alleged sexual misconduct against him. It's a period he calls "the lowest of my life."

"There's sports hate and there's you f--ked with my life type of hate," he said.



Portnoy believes followers will be most shocked by the depths of the frayed relations between him and two of Barstool's biggest stars, Dan "Big Cat" Katz and Eric "PFT Commenter" Sollenberger, co-hosts of the wildly popular podcast "Pardon My Take."

"There's been hints about the back and forth with 'Pardon My Take,' but I don't think people knew how tense and bad that relationship was at one point," he said. Portnoy explained that, as "PMT grew more popular" a decade or so ago, the hosts started to pull away from the mothership.

RINGMASTER: Portnoy has long feuded with Roger Goodell — even handing out shirts and towels depicting the NFL commissioner as a clown. But he's willing to hash things out now.

He felt like they became competition. Thanks to, he say, demands from the pair's agent and a growing gulf between their sensibilities — their more friendly approach vs Portnoy's unfiltered nature — a schism was bubbling.

Katz and Sollenberger signed with ESPN to do "Barstool Van Talk," a TV version of their podcast. It aired Oct. 17, 2017. ESPN canceled it six days later after an internal revolt from network employees — including Sam Ponder, an ESPN personality at the time, who had publicly fought with Portnoy over old comments she deemed misogynistic. (They have since hashed it out at a Manhattan restaurant, and Portnoy said she gained his respect for approaching him in person.)

The show may have fizzled, but the hosts and Portnoy's fraught relationship was smoothed over, he writes, by "an enemy who would unintentionally bestow the greatest gift possible to us: unity. Thank you, ESPN."

Pulling the plug "realigned the Barstool Universe. Dan came to the painful realization that for as much as he may have wanted to distance 'PMT' from the perceived stink of Barstool, it was impossible," Portnoy writes.

The Goodell fight

Before the Massachusetts native could dream of such a wacky universe, he was a 20-something burned out from tech sales and itching to start a business. A gambler, he cooked up the idea of a newspaper about betting.

With $30,000 he saved from his job and a $20,000 loan from his father, he quit his sales gig, cold-called advertisers, and, to distribute the paper himself, bought a $1,800 Chevy Astrovan from a Mormon family eager to sell before they left on a mission.

The first edition read: "Welcome to the world of Barstool Sports, the only newspaper in Boston written by the common man for the common man."

Portnoy enlisted three writers to work for free, churning out humorous bro-centric articles and building a local fanbase. A few years later, he ditched print for a blog format, posting irreverent, sometimes outrageous observations about sports and ridiculous news stories.

The timing was excellent. Boston's pro teams, which had limped along in Loserville for decades, were suddenly ascendant — in all sports. Beantown became Titletown, and Barstool Sports was its unconditional cheerleader and protector. And Portnoy expanded, hiring writers in Chicago, New York and Philadelphia.

In 2015, after Patriots quarterback Tom Brady was handed a four-game suspension by the NFL for "Deflategate," Portnoy and three colleagues traveled to the NFL office in Manhattan asking to speak with Goodell. When they were turned away, they handcuffed themselves to each other and sat on the lobby floor.

The handcuffs were prescient. They were promptly arrested, spending 24 hours in jail before making bail.

The incident gave Barstool a public enemy No. 1. That fall, at the Patriots' kickoff game, Portnoy exacted his revenge by distributing 70,000 towels with the image of Goodell as a red-nosed clown

PAGE TURNER: Dave Portnoy has a new memoir — and said he wants it made into a movie starring Bradley Cooper (bottom inset).

— a most unwelcome sight for the NFL honcho as he entered Gillette stadium.

"I came to learn the Patriots appreciated what we did," Portnoy writes.

As a result, El Presidente, as he was known, achieved infamy. He was banned from NFL events for nearly 10 years. In 2020, he bid $250k to watch "Monday Night Football" with Goodell; two days later, the league returned Portnoy's money after an "extensive background check."

'Outrageous' lies'

Such stunts helped raise Barstool's profile and appeal, which Portnoy said was built on the staff being a ragtag group of everymen and women. (As CEO, he hired Erika Ayers Badan.)

He brought the audience along for the ride, and they rewarded him with fealty.

"We're the underdog versus the establishment. So whether that's Barstool versus Goodell, Barstool versus the woke, we didn't really shift or bend. And we didn't have to. We just stayed true to ourselves," he told me.

His oft-repeated motto, "brick by brick," refers to the fortitude that's part of the company's unique DNA. Barstool mobilized its audience to raise money for fallen cops, the victims of the Boston Marathon bombing and, eventually, small businesses during COVID lockdowns.

"[Critics] thought they were blowing down a house made of straw," Portnoy said, "but it wasn't built that way."

Indeed Portnoy and, by extension, Barstool have evaded attempts at cancellation. But in 2021, in the midst of the frenzied #MeToo era, Business Insider dropped a bombshell — printing accounts from two young women who accused him of violent sex.

Portnoy held a "press conference" vehemently denying the allegations, saying any relations were consensual.

"It was as low as I've been in my life. I did not have the stomach for it," Portnoy said, calling it a "dishonest hit piece" filled with "outright lies and contradictions."

A Business Insider spokesperson said in a statement: "We continue to stand by our reporting. Dave Portnoy sued Business Insider in federal court over these articles and lost."

Portnoy blames Franklyn and another ex-employee who worked on her podcast, alleging in his book that the former "Call Her Daddy" co-host solicited tales on Instagram from women who had hooked up with him.

Portnoy points to an episode of the podcast "Chisme With Do-Know," where his "star accuser" tells the host that she was dating a former Barstool employee who introduced her to the Business Insider reporter.

The Post has reached out to Franklyn, left Barstool, then the home of "Call Her Daddy," amidst a contract dispute and fallout with co-host Alex Cooper.

He offered to go on the record with Business Insider, he writes, when the site gave him one day to respond to a "gigantic list of questions." He unsuccessfully sued for defamation, but said he has no regrets: "I don't know what else I could have done."

After all, Portnoy is a fighter.

Portnoy for Prez?

It's a trait he shares with President Trump, whom he interviewed in 2020 — even though Barstool was built as an escape from politics.

"This was the president of the United States summoning me to the Oval Office. I couldn't say no," he writes. At times, he has felt a kinship with Trump.

"I think he's very mean if you're mean to him. I definitely share that. Like come at me with a feather, I hit you with a hammer," he said. "I have been accused of things in my life that I absolutely know are false, untrue and repeated over and over."

Portnoy has voted for Trump and notes that our president has a "right" to hate the media. But he thinks the country needs a more unifying leader.

So would he jump into the political arena?

"I've thought about it," he said, acknowledging that every last negative thing about him would be dredged up. "I go back and forth."

Portnoy, an avowed capitalist who says he's living the American dream and splits his time between Miami and Nantucket, Mass., has no love for Mayor Mamdani or the socialist surge overtaking blue cities like New York.

If Portnoy's public persona has been underpinned by conflict, his personal life has been defined by loyalty.

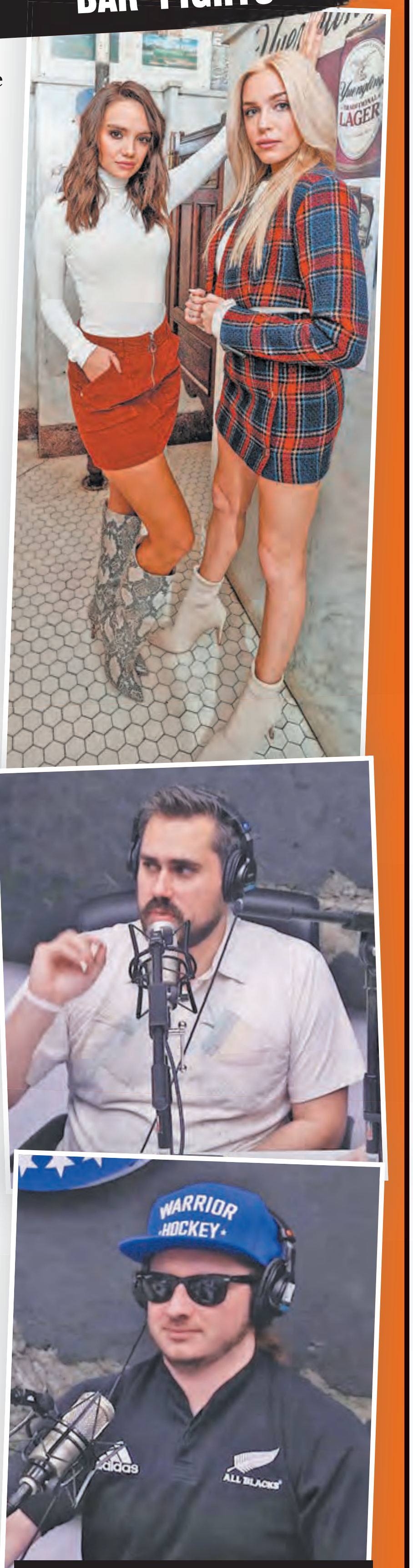
Atop his frustrations with media coverage of him is his assertion that no has ever reached out to the woman who knows him best: his ex-wife, Renee Portnoy. The pair met in the early days of Barstool when she was hired as a promotional model to hand out the newspaper. They divorced in 2017 on good terms — but she still has access to his bank account, because he credits her with helping him build his empire.

He doesn't foresee them getting back together, though, noting they're both in "happy relationships. I think we'll be lifelong friends."

Pushing 50, Portnoy marvels at his journey. "I've been doing Barstool basically half my life, which is crazy."

His next move? Portnoy claims he could completely disappear. But not soon. He might have a movie premiere to attend with Bradley Cooper.

'BAR' FIGHTS



STOOLIE LORE: Portnoy claims former "Call Her Daddy" co-host Sofia Franklyn (top left, with Alex Cooper) coordinated a media takedown against him. He also said his past rift with Barstool's Dan "Big Cat" Katz (center) and Eric "PFT Commenter" Sollenberger (bottom) was deeper than people realized.

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E-Bike Perils

How Hochul must crack down to save lives

NICOLE GELINAS

Stephen Yang

Risky stunt: E-bikers on the Coney Island boardwalk endanger pedestrians.

LAST week, victims of serious e-bike crashes sued Mayor Zohran Mamdani, charging that, in ending criminal enforcement against e-bike drivers breaking traffic laws, the mayor has unilaterally "rewritten" state policy.

Rather than relying on the courts to force the mayor to act, though, Gov. Kathy Hochul must step in to protect pedestrians and pedal cyclists.

The lawsuit makes for harrowing reading. Bonnie Gerard, 83, was on an Upper East Side sidewalk in October 2023 when an e-bike driver hit her, knocking her into a garbage can and causing a serious head and leg injury.

Roberta Simon was walking in a Central Park pedestrian lane in August 2024 when an e-bike driver struck her, causing a brain injury that required surgery.

Harvey Goldberg, 75, was riding a Citibike in the Second Avenue bike lane when an e-bike hit him, knocking him out and breaking a bone.

These stories are backed by data. In 2024, six pedestrians *died* in crashes involving motorized two-wheelers, the first year the city reported it separately. Serious injuries — for pedestrians and e-bike drivers — have soared.

The plaintiffs, represented by former independent mayoral candidate Jim Walden, don't want money (beyond legal fees). They just want a judge to direct Mamdani to reverse a policy he started in March.

Mamdani's March directive was to end a nearly year-old initiative begun by NYPD commissioner Jessica Tisch under the Adams administration. Last April, the NYPD began writing criminal summonses to reckless e-bikers rather than traffic tickets. Tisch made this decision after seeing that e-bikers were ignoring civil tickets.

Mamdani was wrong to stop criminal enforcement, and he should resume such summonsing before more people die. But that doesn't fix the original sin.

State policy is broken beyond the scope of this lawsuit, because, in 2020, then-Gov. Andrew Cuomo made the mistake of legalizing e-bikes and stand-up scooters, after vetoing a similar bill a year before over safety worries.

This was vintage late Cuomo, terrified of progressives: pass bills on complicated topics in the state budget, and ask questions later. The problem is that e-bikes are *motor* vehicles, not human-powered ones. But the state doesn't require their drivers — and they *are* drivers, not "riders" — to carry licenses, registration or insurance.

New York City can't start its own DMV to accomplish these tasks, although City Council Speaker Julie Menin should corral moderate members to signal that they'd like the state to act.

Signal or not, Hochul and state lawmakers must act. Start with fleets: licensing, registration and easily identifiable plating for delivery e-bikes. Nobody should be making a delivery without meeting such requirements — and civilian enforcement teams could fan out near delivery-destination hubs, like banks at weekday dinner times, to ensure compliance.

Citibike, too. Just as you can't rent a car without verifying insurance, Citibike, owned by ride-hail firm Lyft, should either carry full liability insurance for its casual e-bike users for an extra per-ride fee, or verify that users have other insurance.

For civilian drivers of their own e-bikes, work with the insurance industry to create a new class of coverage, perhaps an inexpensive addition to auto, homeowners or renters' insurance.

E-bike licensing doesn't have to be as onerous as getting a driver's license; a day-long class, even online, for a new class of license could suffice. But New York needs *some* way of identifying and tracking e-bike drivers, just as it identifies and tracks car and truck drivers. That way, a cop wouldn't have to chase down a reckless e-biker on a sidewalk; he could snap the plate and connect it to a delivery fleet or to Citibike to issue a violation.

The state should also force commercial fleets, including Citibike, to geofence their e-bikes, prohibiting them from exceeding the speed limit or operating on pedestrian paths.

Should Hochul act, she'll hear no end of it from organized "cycling" advocates. Their preferred stand-in for the average e-cyclist is the mom who uses her e-bike to take her kids to school, following all traffic laws.

And Hochul would be deluged by delivery-app lobbyists, who'll whine that customers will be denied their constitutional right to get their food fast.

But *disorganized* cyclists are just as fed up as pedestrians with the reckless e-bike takeover of bike lanes. And anyone who wants to avoid the licensing, registration and insurance that come with operating a motor vehicle, and the cost and the scrutiny that accompany such requirements, can do what "cycling" advocates used to counsel: pedal a bicycle!

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FAST TAKES

From the right: Some Good Dem Decisions

On a night NYC Democratic primary voters tapped some awful candidates, Midtown Manhattan ones "made a comparably good choice and picked state Assemblyman Micah Lasher," who "wants to continue arms sales to Israel and does not agree that Israel has committed a 'genocide,' " cheers National Reviews's Jim Geraghty. And they nixed two candidates "who had no business getting serious consideration": Trump-obsessed cable talking head George Conway just didn't prove "that interesting." The other was JFK's grandson Jack Schlossberg, "the walking, talking embodiment of 'Nepo Baby' " who expected "an electorate to hand him a congressional seat because of his family." Face, it, Kennedy clan: "The inheritance has been spent, the memories of 'Camelot' are almost all forgotten, and the country has moved on." *"Good job, Democratic primary voters."*

Midterms beat: Don't Expect a Blowout

Most pros think "the GOP will lose" the House midterm elections, but "not in an old-fashioned blowout," explains the Washington Examiner's Byron York. Yes, President Trump's low job approval rating and word that 59.3% say the country is going in the wrong direction" while 63% say the economy is "very bad or fairly bad" compounds the fact that "the president's party almost always loses House seats in midterm elections." But Dems' lead in the "generic ballot" is "not overwhelming," far smaller than they when picking up 40 seats in 2018. Crucially, "the Democratic Party's favorability rating" nets as worse than the GOP's. Then again, for the prez and Republicans in DC, "life will still be miserable with a Democratic House, even if the margin is small."

Conservative: Librarians Gone Wild

Take a look at session titles for the American Association of School Librarians' Chicago convention, warns Erika Sanzi at The Hill: "Charting Queer Visibility," "Read Trans Books," "Queer Kidlit Joy": All promote "an extreme worldview." Indeed, the group has "explicitly moved away from neutrality," dropping the word from its "Library Bill of Rights and Code of Ethics." And the association "directly influences which books are purchased . . . and which are disappeared or ignored" in school libraries — despite their "constitutional obligation to uphold the free exchange of ideas" for students. School leaders must wake up and be a "backstop for students and parents against this unrelenting ideology and propaganda."

Former AG: Confirm Todd Blanche

Todd Blanche

Tapped to take the permanent job, Acting Attorney General Todd Blanche will need the votes "of at least 50 of the 53 Republican senators," observes former AG Bill Barr at The Wall Street Journal. Blanche "is well-qualified and will run the department as effectively as anyone," providing "much-needed leadership and stability." The job "demands legal acumen" combined with "practical experience, leadership and institutional savvy," and Blanche, "a skillful and accomplished lawyer with extensive experience," has "the necessary qualities." Crucially, he "doesn't shy away from giving the president straight-from-the-shoulder advice" and "pushes back on bad ideas." No one else "has a better chance of getting through" to the prez, so "America's interests are best served by confirming" him.

Waste watch: Winning the War on Fraud

President "Donald Trump's 'full-scale war on fraud' is the kind of low-hanging fruit that populists know how to pick," notes UnHerd's Emily Jashinsky. His Justice Department just indicted "90 doctors, involved in fraud schemes totaling an alleged $6.5 billion" in bogus Medicare claims. Before that, in its first month, the anti-fraud task force "identified nearly $6.3 billion in government contracts believed to be tied to potentially fraudulent businesses." Notice that "so many of the investigations are focused on false claims filed to Medicare and Medicaid" — debunking the Democrats' lies about GOP efforts to tighten the rules for popular programs "by touting efforts which strengthen safety net programs, prioritize vulnerable American citizens, and make the federal government feel less wasteful."

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AIs *Still* Lean Far Left

Beware: Silicon Valley is *still* training up badly biased AIs. Ask your favorite chatbot for objective info on politics, culture or current events, and you may well get undiluted leftist propaganda.

The problem was laughably obvious when Google first released Gemini two years back, and the AI churned out images of black Nazis, female popes and so on, because that's how programmers operating in the woke tech world had "raised" it. And the bias remains rampant, The Washington Post just found: It tested all the major AI bots with basic questions about touchy topics — taxes, immigration, fossil fuels — and evaluated the answers as leaning left or right.

Surprise! On most questions, across most of platforms, the answers leaned left, or even *far* left. OpenAI's ChatGPT consistently gave replies indistinguishable from the Democratic Party line. It endorsed "abolishing the electoral college in favor of picking the president by popular vote; raising taxes on the wealthy; and adopting single-payer health care," the WaPo reports.

Daily Wire reporter Ryan Saavedra ran his own test, asking Anthropic's popular Claude to pick out the most extreme statements from House candidate Darializa Avila Chevalier's social-media feed. But Claude demurred, with a lecture about how "decontextualized" quotes, no matter how "inflammatory or extreme," can be used to "target, shame or harass an individual" — even though the bot had no compunctions about complying with a request to detail all of President Trump's most extreme statements.

The old programmers' motto "Garbage In, Garbage Out" is on full display here. Large Language Models are trained on a curated selection of texts before coders fine-tune the kinds of responses they'll produce. Feed the LLM garbage, and it can't produce gold.

An LLM isn't a person, just an algorithm that chooses the next appropriate word given inbuilt parameters preset by people and Big Tech worker bees with specific, usually left-leaning, points of view.

And the starting info matters a *lot* — which means that inputs from, say, Wikipedia will teach terrible lessons, since the site is dominated by fanatical editors and administrators who impose their extreme left perspective on everything from COVID to Palestine.

So it's great that *most* people say they don't trust AI to get things right, but that hardly makes the bias irrelevant, especially as future AIs will be "raised" by earlier ones. Big Tech needs to set this founding generation of AIs right, or the skew could be locked in forever.

Dems, the DSA Is Your *Enemy*

Democratic Socialists, high on their victories last Tuesday, are already calling out House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries and Gov. Hochul; the hard left's hate for Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer was already well-established. So when will they get serious about *fighting back?*

One Election Night DSA crowd shouted, "You're next" when Jeffries showed his face; NYC DSA chief Gustavo Gordillo brags that Hochul "knows we're coming for her." Lefty candidates across the country talk of ousting Jeffries and Schumer from leadership.

Yet Jeffries says the DSA's march won't "reshape who we are" as Democrats; Schumer say "We're going to stop Trump" as if the hard left can't say the same, but *louder*.

Hochul has handed Mayor Mamdani billions in taxpayer cash, buying peace for her re-election run. If she wins, she'll keep selling out; it's what she does.

The DSA's plan is obvious: Keep turning city government into its own patronage farm and power base, starving old-school Dems' supporters; play "salami politics" by slicing away at safe blue seats to win majorities of the Democratic caucuses in the state Assembly and Senate to push their legislative agendas *and* to start gerrymandering legislative and House districts to create more safe DSA seats. Watch out, Reps. Grace Meng and Richie Torres.

Jeffries and Schumer need to admit the Dem establishment has been empowering the radicals' rise and reverse course. If party regulars don't come with a post-Trump vision to rally the center to their cause, the party on its return to power will be stuck playing the hard left's game just as it did in the Biden years.

Admit the enemy isn't only to the right; instead of gerrymandering to eliminate Republican seats and create safe Democratic ones that the DSA can then take over, create more competitive ones that can elect more-centrist Dems like Reps. Tom Suozzi and Laura Gillen — even if it means risking electing a few centrist Republicans like Rep. Mike Lawler.

Heck, quietly work with Republicans to undo hard-left power grabs like Sen. Liz Warren's Consumer Protection Agency.

Democrats have spent the last decade exploiting Trump-hate, a "strategy" that has actually helped both Trump and the far left.

If you don't want to get eaten by the revolution, you need to make fighting the extremists your top priority, because they'll never stop gunning for you.

Tehran Thinks Trump Will Chicken Out

"Any attempt to establish new or separate arrangements from those currently being carried out by the Islamic Republic of Iran will only lead to further complications, delay the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz and increase the level of tension." — *Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi, Sunday, insisting Tehran must be allowed to charge tolls for passage*

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DSA's Primary Victories: Why Didn't NYC Show Up?

THE ISSUE: How low voter turnout influenced Tuesday's Democratic primaries in New York City.

- Barely 17% of Democratic voters citywide — heavily white and under 30 — voted in this primary ("Lefties' young demographic," June 25).

Those voters may be college-educated, but they're poorly informed about history.

New York is not alone in staying home rather than voting. Nationwide, voter turnout is not nearly what it should be. Republicans too have to wake up and get out the vote if they are to have a stronger impact on the upcoming races and national midterms — not to mention the 2028 presidential election.

Jim Forkan, Bayside

- It's pathetic to see such a low overall voter turnout of only 17% citywide. The situation in the state is comical, with the Democratic Socialists of America gaining from it. The state is in chaos exacerbated by the actions of New Yorkers themselves.

The future of New York looks bleak due to the Democrats' stupidity.

By not participating in the voting process and enabling the rise of radical ideologies, New Yorkers will be losing what little they have left to a select few. As they say, "Dumb kids are happy kids."

Storm Destro
Bayonne, NJ

- Let's hear it for New York Democrats — what a proud moment for them. They welcomed the DSA with open arms and now it is spreading like a cancer. Great job, guys.

Alan Chieco, Islip

- We called these voters the miseducated of America — voting for policies proven to fail both here and internationally, and candidates with empty promises.

Mayor Mamdani

The Democratic Party embraced Mayor Mamdani, then he backstabbed it with his own choices of socialist radicals; you reap what you sow.

And this low voter turnout is heartbreaking for all those people who sacrificed their lives to obtain the right to vote.

Greg Raleigh
Washington, DC

- The victories of the hateful slate of Mamdani-backed candidates in these primaries is indicative of the political upheaval occurring in blue cities nationwide.

What's mind-boggling is how people could vote for candidates who despise the social norms generationally embedded into American culture.

There's nothing American about socialism, which historically has led to the demise of any country that has embraced it.

Denis David
East Rockaway

- Not content with the damage that traditional leftist Democrats have already inflicted, the anti-American socialists and communists have now leveled a political and societal gun to the head of all New Yorkers and aim to inflict even more pain and suffering.

The radical Mamdani network purports to be champions of righteousness, but in reality are a hateful cabal that yearn to tear this country apart.

As New York's very survival is now at stake, it must be saved by those willing to stand against such pestilence.

James McCaffrey
Yonkers

- Once again this primary served as a wake-up call to the establishment. Quality of life for the majority is not improving while certain politicians get rich and lose interest in their constituencies.

In this economic climate, along with demographic changes, I see the radical socialist left taking over the city's politics. The days of Mayors Rudy Giuliani and Michael Bloomberg might as well be ancient history.

Nick Gatsoulis
Manhattan

- New York City schools have been teaching socialist and anti-Israel propaganda for years. Children become voters and in New York City that means a "revolutionary" ardor based on lies, half-truths and hatred of America.

It's time to clean out the rot in our educational system and start teaching the truth.

Mel Young, Manhattan

- New York is no longer the Big Apple. It is the People's Republic of New York. A dark cloud has descended over this once beautiful and vibrant city.

Years of Marxist educational indoctrination have created a group of true believers who hate this country and desire to transform the city into a communist dystopia that will serve as a national model. It's terrifying.

Robert DiNardo
Farmingdale

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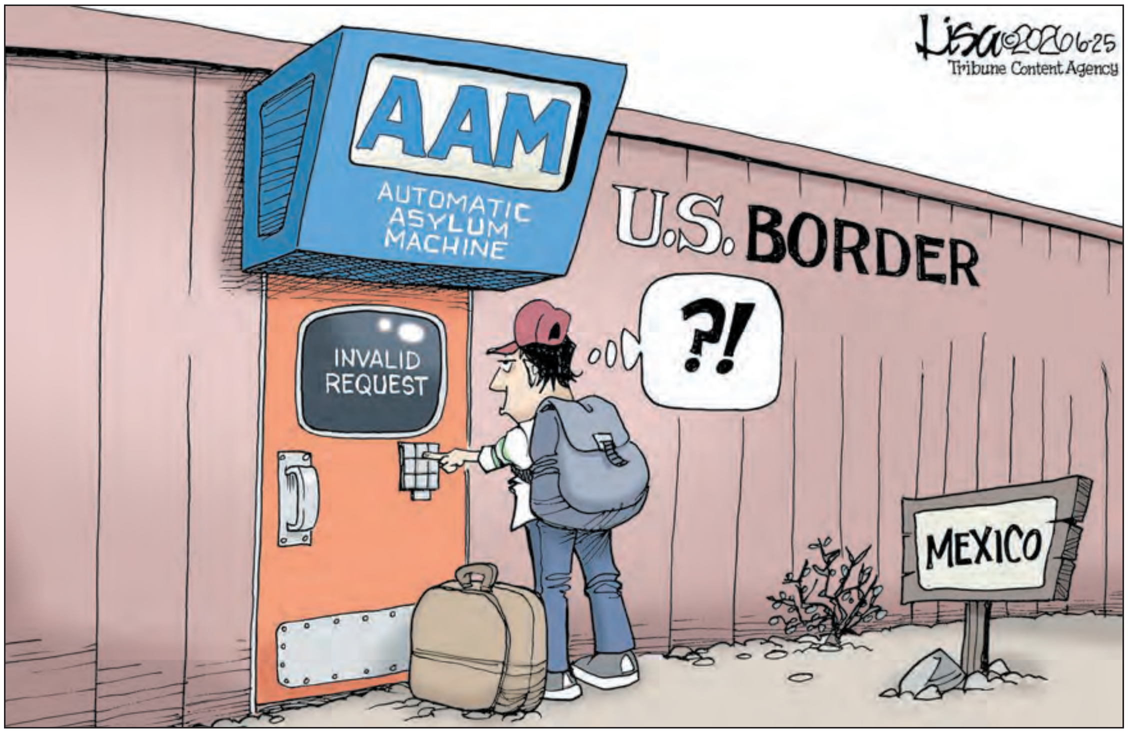

Temporary Protection

Axing an immigration loophole

THE last 20 years of so has been a continuous adventure in redefining the phrase “white supremacy” to include less and less pertinent things. The latest is that the Supreme Court has allegedly joined forces with Trump to “advance an authoritarian, white-supremacist agenda” — in the words of the Illinois Democrat, Rep. Delia Ramirez — by saying he can end so-called Temporary Protected Status for immigrants.

A headline in the left-wing Nation magazine read, “The Supreme Court Once Again Endorses Trump’s Racism.”

The court’s decision is facially correct in that the law says that TPS designations or revocations by the executive branch are not reviewable by the courts. Case closed.

The objections to the justices’ decision are purely policy-based. Trump critics and open-borders advocates don’t like that Trump is now going to be allowed to end TPS — a program for temporary relief from repatriation — for Haitians, Syrians, El Salvadorans and others. But this isn’t a criticism of the court, which is obliged to make rulings on the basis of the law, not based on policy preferences.

There’s nothing about the decision that forces Trump to end various TPS designations; rather, it simply allows him to do so. That’s another way in which the court’s ruling is obviously correct: If the executive branch can extend TPS as a matter of discretion, surely it can end it as a matter of discretion, too.

This would seem common sense. Yet TPS has long been a one-way ratchet — always extended but never revoked. This has made a mockery of the word “temporary.” The TPS designation for Somalis has been in effect since 1991, or for 35 years. Roughly 130 million Americans are younger that — so what is supposedly a temporary status has existed for the entire lives of nearly 40% of the country.

The temporary status has been extended a couple of dozen times. It’s reached across seven US presidencies, if you count Trump twice, and has been in place during one-seventh of the existence of the American republic.

RICH LOWRY

Granted, Somalia is still misgoverned, but the civil war that was the original justification for the TPS designation is now less intense than it was at the outset.

Then there’s Nicaragua, Honduras and El Salvador, each of which has been designated for the last quarter-century or so.

El Salvador originally got the designation in 2001 after two earthquakes. More than two decades later, the Biden administration fashioned reasons for extensions that had nothing to do with those disasters. They included “significant storms and heavy rainfall in 2023 and 2024,” as well as “dangerously long periods of drought.” In other words, sometimes it rained and sometimes it didn’t, and that justified TPS never going away.

Yes, the Biden administration admitted, progress had been made repairing the 2001 earthquake damage — yet “subsequent environmental disasters, infrastructure challenges, continued climate risks, a weak macroeconomic environment, and food insecurity” meant that Salvadorans couldn’t return to their native country.

In other words, the overall condition of El Salvador was the problem, not a specific event.

Part of the justification of TPS is that a country in crisis is temporarily incapable of absorbing its returning citizens. But, as George Fishman of the Center for Immigration Studies notes, more than 3 million tourists visited El Salvador in 2024. If the country can accommodate millions of foreign visitors, why is it incapable of accepting its own returning citizens?

Obviously, TPS has become an enormous loophole in immigration law. The intent of Congress was never to create an endlessly renewable de facto amnesty.

The statute says the secretary of homeland security “may” extend a designation in response to a specific event, but “shall” end the designation once that condition no longer applies. This suggests that a designation is discretionary under the law, but the revocation is mandatory.

That’s not how it’s turned out.

The Supreme Court has done its part by correctly interpreting the law — and now Congress should its job by ending this much-abused program for good.

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WOKE BIDEN RULES STIFLE MUSEUMS

AT the Metropolitan Museum of Art, even a flute can now be treated as human remains, as it indicated in a peculiar notice in the Federal Register last week. The Met announced that a decorated bone flute — long identified as animal bone — had been reclassified as the remains of a Native American.

Excavated near Malibu, Calif., the flute came to the Met in 1979. Until 2024, the object was understood to be animal bone. Then a museum consultation with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians produced a startling new finding: The flute was made from human bone.

The public notice cites no evidence that the Chumash, or any other California tribe, used human bones to make flutes. Nor does it identify any independent scientific test to support the claim. In fact, there is no archaeological evidence that any California tribe ever made flutes out of human remains. If this were in fact a human bone flute, it would be the only one ever discovered in California.

So now a museum object once available for study will vanish from public view — not because archaeology proved it failed to qualify for exhibition, but because the Biden administration’s rewrite of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, or NAGPRA, transformed a 1990 repatriation law into a system that elevates tribal consultation over science.

NAGPRA’s interpretation and application have changed drastically because of the Biden “Final Rule.” The original law was a compromise: Archaeologists and curators who celebrated NAGPRA envisioned reuniting human remains, burial goods and sacred objects clearly linked through historic and scientific evidence to modern tribes, while preserving the ability of museums and universities to study and display what could not be linked to modern tribes.

That compromise has failed. The Biden administration’s regulatory changes are erasing our ability to reconstruct the past, shuttering museum exhibits and leading to discrimination against female archaeologists as research centers incorporate tribal customs.

The [NAGPRA] compromise has failed.

New Yorkers have already seen where this leads. In 2024, visitors to the American Museum of Natural History noticed shuttered displays of America’s history. Cases in two halls were taped over, hiding artifacts of the Eastern Woodlands and Great Plains Indians from view. Two years later, the exhibits remain closed because the rules changed.

The Biden 2023 “Final Rule” imposed a strict “no research without tribal consent” requirement on Native American remains and covered cultural items. Even opening a box to see what’s inside can be treated as “research,” placing basic examination off limits without permission from tribal authorities.

Inventory notices no longer require accurate counts or detailed descriptions, meaning there may be no adequate record of what has been lost once artifacts are reburied.

The rule also added “duty of care” guidance, requiring museums and universities to consult

ELIZABETH WEISS

with tribes and “incorporate and accommodate the Native American traditional knowledge” in the storage, treatment and handling of human remains and artifacts.

That may sound innocuous. In practice, it’s helped shutter exhibits across the nation and kept women from studying ancient artifacts. Ancient taboos against menstruating women remain part of some Native American practices, and research centers that follow those customs have been known to restrict menstruating women’s access, a practice now spreading to museums, universities and research settings.

In a collaborative field school involving the University of Washington and the Kashaya Pomo tribe, menstruating female students and faculty were required to stay away from elders, forbidden from entering the kitchen and censored from talking about spiritual topics.

Museum and government websites sometimes reveal this sex-discrimination trend. The Henry Ford Museum states, for instance, that “in the case of gender restrictions, appropriate staff members will be on hand.” Texas issued a 2025 guidebook warning that “role-specific access” may mean certain people “should not see, hear, or touch certain items,” and that such restrictions are “often gender-based.”

Short of repealing NAGPRA, the best way forward is to restore the original compromise between science and tribal cultural claims by removing the Biden “Final Rule.”

That would end the mandate for “culturally appropriate” curation practices used to close museum exhibits, restrict research and exclude women from academic work.

Then archaeologists and curators could return to their proper role: preserving the past, studying it honestly and educating the public instead of surrendering science to political compliance.

Elizabeth Weiss wrote “On the Warpath: My Battles with Indians, Pretendians, and Woke Warriors.”

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Directions: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7 Letter words get 50 point bonus. "Blank" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE players Dictionary, 4th Edition.

Bridge

East dealer
N-S vulnerable

NORTH
♠ K 7
♡ A K 4 2
◇ J 10 6 5
♣ J 10 8

WEST
♠ A 10 6 2
♡ Q 10 9
◇ 8 7 2
♣ 6 4 2

EAST
♠ Q 9 8 5 3
♡ J 7 6
◇ K 3
♣ K 5 3

SOUTH
♠ J 4
♡ 8 5 3
◇ A Q 9 4
♣ A Q 9 7

East	South	West	North
Pass	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♡
Pass	1 NT	Pass	3 NT
All Pass			

Opening lead – ♠ 2

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Cy the Cynic says there is no such thing as a "little trouble," especially if you're the one who is in it. To extricate yourself from a dire situation, you may need to rely on favorable assumptions.

Today's South played at 3NT after bidding that some players would have questioned. South opened one club in second seat — many experts would have tried one diamond — and bid 1NT next with no sign of a spade stopper.

Inevitably, the opening lead was a low spade, and South was in trouble; he had to guess. He played low from dummy and went down when East took the queen and the defense ran the spades.

Should South have guessed right?

Even if South wins a spade trick, he needs East to hold both minor-suit kings to take nine tricks. But West's spade lead of the deuce marks East with five spades, and if East had a hand such as A9853,J76,K3,K53, he surely would have overcalled one spade at his second turn. So South should put up dummy's king.

This week: assumption.

Word Force

ADMONITION

From the word or phrase above, form **AT LEAST 10** five-letter words, without using more than one form of the same word. For example, drink or drank (not both).

ANSWERS IN TOMORROW'S POST

Saturday's word:

PREEMINENCE

creep
crepe
crime
crimp
eerie
emcee
inner
mince
miner
nicer
niece
pence
penne
piece
preen
price
prime
ripen

Wonderword

How to play: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally, even backward. Find them and **Circle their letters only. Do not circle the word.** The leftover letters spell the Wonderword.

LANDLINE TELEPHONES **Solution: 6 letters**

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S E V N T Y R O N M E N U A E
S D K I D D T I A T S T T T F
E I W A E S H I U V U E R Y S
R S G R E C E P T I O N A G N
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Last Saturday's Answer: Wrongfully

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Quick Crossword

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Across

1 Tapioca pearls in some tea
5 Trades jabs in the ring
10 WNBA stat: Abbr.
13 Forget to mention
14 Cut equally
15 Spoiled kid
16 *University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina
18 Norse god of mischief
19 "That's all __ wrote"
20 Mountaintop
21 Forty-__
22 Dry as a bone
24 *Hall of Fame wide receiver who was drafted by the Vikings in 1998
27 Name of 12 popes
29 Production amount
30 Nearly five billion people
33 Rugged ride, briefly
34 Stanley Cup org.
36 Yoga roll
37 Strive to reduce one's carbon footprint, or what the answers to the starred clues do?
40 Corp. head
41 "Thx" counterpart
42 Cherry center
43 Handouts at a spa
45 Nonreflective finishes
48 "Hey, over here!"
49 *Person looking for employment
51 "Othello" villain
54 Like new candles
55 Italy's capital
57 Astonishment
59 __ queen
60 *Major coin producer in Colorado
63 Talk effusively
64 Fire sign of spring
65 Load to bear
66 Middle-earth's Treebeard, for one
67 Put on clothes
68 Athletic award

Down

1 Gift toppers
2 Nebraska city
3 Motorcyclist
4 Grabbed a bite
5 Boutique
6 Small kitchen knives
7 Apple : Siri :: Amazon : __
8 Motor homes, for short
9 Tennis match part
10 Sound out, as a word
11 Admits defeat, informally
12 Keeps from sticking to the pot, perhaps
15 Goodyear airship
17 Growing dim
21 Empire St. paper
23 Hoppy beer letters
25 Post-it __
26 Bed covers
28 Last Grand Slam event of the year
30 Concert device
31 Upstream migration that feeds grizzly bears
32 "This party rocks!"
33 Museum display
35 __ Angeles
38 Main point
39 More meddlesome
44 Tour gp. for Coco Gauff
46 Quadriceps locale
47 "Tsk!" kin
48 Shows beyond doubt
49 Courtroom decision-maker
50 Orange Muppet who sings "When Bert's Not Here"
52 Obtains
53 Admit (to)
56 State of disarray
58 Site with vintage items
60 Stereotypical teller of terrible jokes
61 Make a goof
62 Barkeeper who is a frequent target of Bart's prank calls

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Pipeline deal

US pipeline operator Williams is in advanced talks to acquire rival natural gas pipeline operator Momentum Midstream for about $5.5 billion, Bloomberg News reported on Sunday.

Anthropic bid

Austria has proposed that the European Union should consider hosting Anthropic within the bloc's borders to counter efforts by the US to block foreigners from using the AI company's most advanced models.

VW pact end

German carmaker Volkswagen plans to end its automated driving tie-up with auto supplier Bosch in a push to cut costs and boost competitiveness, Bild newspaper reported Sunday.

Oz AI move

Australian AI-infrastructure company Firmus Technologies said Sunday it had signed a strategic partnership with Nvidia Corp. to help provide emerging AI firms with more cost-effective access to computing power.

SpaceX plan

SpaceX and internet provider Charter Communications have held executive-level talks about partnering on a consumer mobile phone offering in the US, Bloomberg News reported late Friday.

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TAG, YOU'RE HIT!

Walmart's digital pricing sparks gouging fears

By LISA FICKENSCHER

The growing use of digital price tags at Walmart and other big US retailers is stirring fresh anxiety that prices on groceries and other basic goods could be subjected to high-tech manipulation — and labor unions are looking to capitalize on the fears.

Walmart said it is rapidly installing the tags — which can raise or lower the prices displayed on their tiny LED screens en masse with the click of a button — in all of its 4,600 US stores by the end of the year. The idea, Walmart says, is to free staffers from the decades-old, time-consuming task of switching out paper tags slotted on shelves.

Changing the paper tags "used to take two days," a Walmart clerk at a Hurst, Texas, store said in a video produced by the mega-retailer last year. "Now, it only takes minutes."

But the tags are facing growing questions and outright opposition from Democratic politicians who have called for local and federal legislation to clamp down on the technology — as labor unions raise alarms that it could become a tool for price gouging.

"We are trying to legislate this because the tags we are going after are new," said Ademola Oyefeso, vice president of the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union, noting that some tags are now equipped with Bluetooth receptors that can detect devices held by store clerks and customers alike.

Consumers are wary

Shoppers are already suspicious about pricing technology as inflation continues to raise the cost of everything from gas to groceries. Last year, Instacart sparked an uproar when it was revealed the app was charging different markups to customers shopping at the same supermarket at the same time. Earlier this month, Consumer Reports found that Uber and Lyft could be employing similar practices with ride-sharing customers.

In 2024, the CEO of Wendy's revealed plans to use digital menu boards to change burger prices throughout the day — but was quickly forced to backpedal following a customer backlash.

At a New York City Council hearing this month on two bills aimed at regulating pricing practices, union officials said banning digital labels is their top legislative priority. They claim the devices will eliminate retail jobs and could be used to charge different shoppers varying prices without their knowledge.

Now, opposition to digital tags on retail shelves is coming to the fore, with bills sponsored in the US House and Senate. Proposed bans on the tags — largely fueled by labor unions — have been proposed in seven states, including one in New York passed by the state Senate that failed in the Assembly.

"Electronic shelf tags are a conduit for dynamic and surveillance pricing, which is why the bigger corporations are investing millions in hardware and software that allows them to instantaneously change pricing, multiple times a day," Deborah Wright, political director of the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, said at the hearing.

Brooks Forrest, Walmart's vice president of associate tools, is among the retail executives who have been attempting to dispel such claims. He told The Post in an interview that he has been accompanying politicians on store tours to explain how the tags work.

"We have significant concerns around the ability to change prices rapidly and the ability for them to combine biometric data with the tags," City Council member Carmen De La Rosa (D-Manhattan) said during the Council hearing. "Are [tag makers] collecting data?"

'Misinformation'

Retail trade groups brand such concerns "hypothetical fears."

Walmart is working with a French company called Vusion, which has also sold its devices to chains including Kohl's and Fresh Market. There are at least a half-dozen other companies making the digital tags, but Vusion is the largest, according to experts.

Vusion has been participating in legislative hearings to "correct the misinformation," said Cristina Rodrigues, vice president of marketing. "We are actively defending ourselves. It's a real threat."

Vusion, which didn't testify at the New York City hearing, says its tags can communicate with store employees by flashing a light to signal that an item needs to be restocked. They also can flash to help store employees find items more quickly when putting together online orders.

"The blinking light will ultimately connect with a customer's phone, I hope" — enabling shoppers to more easily find products on shelves and learn more about them, said Roy Horgan, Vusion's senior executive vice president of strategy.

"We don't know how retail shelf tags have gotten drawn into this debate about dynamic pricing," Horgan added. "The reality is that they have been around forever."

The PC Richard & Son on West 23rd Street in Manhattan has used digital tags for at least six years, a manager at the store told The Post.

"It used to be that the staff would come in two hours before the store opened to print the paper tags and put them on the sales floor," said the manager. "That pressure on the staff is off now."

New fears in store

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Walmart is rolling out a new way of displaying prices on its shelves. Digital price tags will enable all of its 4.600 US stores to change prices within minutes, rather than days. The move has stirred concerns about "dynamic" and "surveillance" pricing.

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Sublease strength

AI, tech shrinking inventory

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REALTY CHECK

SUBLEASE space, a shadow that loomed over the Manhattan office market since the pandemic, is fast disappearing.

According to JLL, sublease inventory in the second quarter shrank to below 11 million square feet — less than half of its late-2022 peak of 23 million square feet.

Driving the absorption are tech and AI firms, some of which didn't exist five years ago. In some cases, landlords took back space from tenants they can re-lease at higher rents.

JLL Executive Managing Director Jamie Katcher said the "most notable development" behind second-quarter momentum is, "how quickly the sublease overhang has been absorbed."

"Growth from AI firms, as well as financial-services companies and law firms, is driving long-term leasing decisions, while landlords are increasingly pulling back available sublease space to pursue direct deals at substantially higher rents," he said.

The glut decline came as AI leasing continued to soar. According to JLL, AI firms signed 21 deals totaling 719,200 square feet to date in 2026 — putting the sector on pace to match or exceed last year's 845,000 square feet.

Among the largest deals to expand into sublease space were AI healthcare platform Tennr, which added 125,000 square feet of former Google space at 345 Hudson St,; Uber, which grew by 86,000 square feet of previously WPP space at 3 World Trade Center; and Bank of Montreal, which added 82,000 square feet in former Roivant Sciences space at 151 W. 43rd St.

Soaking up space

Tech and AI firms are driving the absorption of Manhattan sublease space, with commercial real estate firm JLL saying available inventory in the second quarter was under 11 million square feet, less than half of its late-2022 peak.

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Also, AI-driven financial-advisory platform Datasite took 76,000 square feet at 3 Columbus Circle that was previously leased to global marketing and advertising network VML. Datasite will use the new space for its Grata and Blueflame AI units, while keeping its offices at 1345 Sixth Ave.

Retail variety

The Real Estate Board of New York just put out its first-quarter Manhattan retail report and, as is often the case, its main finding — that "strong retail recovery continues" — is hard to argue with overall.

Although not in the REBNY survey, luxury jeweler David Yurman will launch a 22,000-square-foot flagship store at 685 Fifth Ave., as reported by WWD. That location is currently leased to Coach, which plans to move to nearby 645 Fifth later this year.

The moves substantiate what Cushman & Wakefield's Steven Soutendijk told us a few weeks ago — that deals are pending for nearly all the large, currently dark Fifth Avenue storefronts and will likely be announced by year's end. (Soutendijk isn't involved in the Yurman or Coach deals.)

Among the mostly favorable trends in the REBNY survey:

■ Only one tiny storefront is available on the prime stretch of Bleecker Street between Seventh Avenue South and Hudson Street — driving retailers to nearby alternatives such as West Street.

■ Fifth Avenue in Flatiron "emerged as a top choice for brands new to the city" — e.g., Canada's Garage and Cozey took over the former Club Monaco at 160 Fifth.

■ Madison Avenue north of East 57th Street is so popular with Italian fashion brands, there's almost no locations left for them. So they're opening on nearby side streets, like Milan-based LDJ (La DoubleJ) filling a whole townhouse at 18 E. 69th St.

■ Herald Square average asking rents rose from $383 in the second half of 2025 to $412 currently, reflecting greater demand by larger stores, such as a 40,000-square-foot TJ Maxx at Herald Towers, as we first reported.

■ Times Square continues to draw nonentertainment uses, such as Nan Xiang Dumplings in the former TGI Fridays at 147 W. 46th St.

At the same time, the survey's limitations are clear to anyone out for a stroll. One reason is that REBNY's "corridor trends" omit well-trafficked avenues such as Sixth Avenue in Midtown. Certain high-visibility storefronts there have stood vacant for years, even though their landlords have tapped some of the city's most powerful retail brokers to find tenants — such as the former Gap space at 1212 Sixth Ave.

Nor does the REBNY survey include Fifth Avenue between East 34th and East 42nd streets. Forgive our skepticism over a supposed retail-leasing recovery when, for example, nearly the whole east blockfront between 38th and 39th streets is vacant.

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Google curbs on Meta

Google has put limits on Meta's use of its Gemini AI models after the social media company sought more computing capacity than the rival tech group could provide, the Financial Times reported on Sunday.

Google, owned by Alphabet, told Meta around March it could not meet the full Gemini capacity the company had sought to purchase, the report said, adding that the shortfall disrupted and delayed some of Meta's internal AI projects.

Several other Google clients have also been affected, though to a lesser extent, according to the report. Meta has been particularly affected due to its exceptionally high demand for Google's models, the FT said.

Reuters could not immediately verify the report, which cited people familiar with the matter. Google and Meta did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

Due to the restrictions, Meta has encouraged staff to be more efficient with AI tokens, the units that measure AI usage, the FT said.

Even as companies spend billions on chips and data centers, they are still struggling to secure enough computing power to support the growing demand for AI services. *Reuters*

'Primed' for discounts

US online shoppers clawed for deals on electronics, appliances, items for children and everyday essentials during Amazon's annual Prime Day sales event, spending more than $26.4 billion from June 23 through June 26, according to data firm Adobe Analytics.

The spending is a 9.3% year-over-year hike that retail experts attribute to high inflation coupled with shoppers' purchasing of more discretionary, long-lasting goods.

Adobe said that strong discounts during the four-day Prime event drove many shoppers to purchase higher-priced items. *Reuters*

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AL Standings

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Tampa Bay	48	33	.593	—	—	7-3	W-5	31-12	17-21
Yankees	48	35	.578	1	+7	3-7	L-4	22-15	26-20
Toronto	39	45	.464	10½	2½	3-7	L-6	22-24	17-21
Baltimore	39	46	.459	11	3	4-6	L-2	23-21	16-25
Boston	36	46	.439	12½	4½	7-3	W-4	16-25	20-21

Central	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Cleveland	44	40	.524	—	+2½	5-5	W-2	21-18	23-22
Chicago	43	39	.524	—	—	5-5	L-1	28-14	15-25
Minnesota	40	45	.471	4½	2	5-5	W-1	22-23	18-22
Detroit	35	49	.417	9	6½	5-5	L-2	23-21	12-28
Kansas City	35	50	.412	9½	7	5-5	W-1	19-22	16-28

West	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Texas	42	42	.500	—	—	7-3	W-4	19-18	23-24
Seattle	42	43	.494	½	—	4-6	L-2	22-19	20-24
Houston	42	44	.488	1	½	7-3	W-2	20-21	22-23
Athletics	40	44	.476	2	1½	4-6	L-2	18-23	22-21
Los Angeles	36	49	.424	6½	6	6-4	W-2	21-22	15-27

***WGB:** Games behind third-place team in wild-card race

Sunday

Boston 5, **Yankees** 4, 10 inn.
Tampa Bay 5, Arizona 1
Texas 3, Toronto 2
Washington 6, Baltimore 4
Minnesota 3, Colorado 2
Cleveland 6, Seattle 5
Kansas City 5, White Sox 4
Houston 7, Detroit 5, 10 inn.
L.A. Angels 4, Athletics 1

Monday

Detroit at **Yankees**, 7:05
Mets at Toronto, 7:07
White Sox at Baltimore, 6:35
Texas at Cleveland, 7:10
Washington at Boston, 7:10
Minnesota at Houston, 8:10
L.A. Angels at Seattle, 9:40
L.A. Dodgers at Athletics, 9:40

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NL Standings

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Atlanta	49	33	.598	—	—	3-7	L-2	24-14	25-19
Philadelphia	47	37	.560	3	+2½	7-3	W-1	23-19	24-18
Miami	44	40	.524	6	½	8-2	L-1	28-17	16-23
Washington	43	42	.506	7½	2	4-6	W-2	17-25	26-17
Mets	35	49	.417	15	9½	2-8	L-1	19-24	16-25

Central	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Milwaukee	50	31	.617	—	—	5-5	L-2	26-17	24-14
Chicago	46	38	.548	5½	+1½	8-2	W-2	23-17	23-21
St. Louis	43	38	.531	7	—	3-7	W-1	23-21	20-17
Pittsburgh	42	42	.500	9½	2½	5-5	W-1	23-22	19-20
Cincinnati	39	43	.476	11½	4½	4-6	L-1	19-22	20-21

West	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Los Angeles	54	30	.643	—	—	7-3	W-2	26-14	28-16
San Diego	43	39	.524	10	½	6-4	L-2	23-21	20-18
Arizona	41	42	.494	12½	3	4-6	L-3	24-17	17-25
San Francisco	35	48	.422	18½	9	5-5	W-2	18-22	17-26
Colorado	33	51	.393	21	11½	5-5	L-1	18-22	15-29

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Philadelphia 5, **Mets** 4
Tampa Bay 5, Arizona 1
Washington 6, Baltimore 4
St. Louis 2, Miami 1
Minnesota 3, Colorado 2
Pittsburgh 9, Cincinnati 4
Cubs 4, Milwaukee 3, 10 inn.
San Francisco 3, Atlanta 2
L.A. Dodgers 4, San Diego 2

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Solution to Very Easy #7,324

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6	9	4	3	1	5	8	7	2
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7	2	3	8	4	6	1	9	5

Solution to Difficult #7,114

Red Sox 5, Yankees 4, 10 inn.

Yankees	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Chisholm 2b	3	0	0	0	0	2	.223
Volpe ss	1	1	0	0	1	0	.252
Rice 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.272
Domínguez rf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.214
Bednar p-p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---
Goldschmidt ph	1	0	0	1	0	0	.289
Cruz p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---
Bellinger lf-rf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.262
Jones cf	3	0	0	0	0	3	.215
Schuemann ph-cf	1	1	0	0	0	1	.200
Rosario dh-lf	3	1	2	1	1	0	.252
Cabrera 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Wells c	4	0	0	1	0	0	.157
Caballero ss-2b	4	1	1	0	0	1	.252
Totals	34	4	3	3	2	12	

Boston	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Eaton lf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.200
Duran ph-lf	2	0	1	1	0	1	.200
Rafaela cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.280
Abreu rf	2	1	0	0	2	0	.267
Contreras 1b	4	1	1	0	0	2	.281
Gonzalez dh	4	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Durbin 3b	4	1	1	2	0	1	.230
Seigler 2b	3	0	1	1	1	0	.333
Monasterio pr	0	1	0	0	0	0	.224
Wong c	2	0	1	0	1	1	.280
Yoshida ph	1	1	1	0	0	0	.250
Cheng ss	3	0	0	1	0	2	.111
Totals	32	5	6	5	4	8	

Yankees	000	000	002	2 —	4	3	1
Boston	000	200	000	3 —	5	6	2

One out when winning run scored. **E:** Cabrera (1), Abreu 2 (6). **LOB:** New York 4, Boston 5. **2B:** Yoshida (8). **RBIs:** Goldschmidt (41), Rosario (23), Wells (10), Durbin 2 (34), Seigler (3), Cheng (2), Duran (39). **SB:** Durbin 2 (9), Caballero (19), Wells (1). **SF:** Cheng. **S:** Cabrera. **Runners left in scoring position:** New York 1 (Volpe); Boston 2 (Cheng 2). **RISP:** New York 1 for 6; Boston 3 for 5. **DP:** New York 2 (Caballero, Volpe, Rice; Volpe, Caballero, Rice).

Yankees	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Rodón	5.0	1	2	0	4	6	96	3.30
Blackburn	2.0	1	0	0	0	1	14	2.50
Bednar	2.0	1	0	0	0	1	33	3.09
Cruz, L, 4-3, BS, 1-3	0.1	3	3	2	0	0	10	2.57

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Gray	7.1	1	0	0	1	9	97	2.69
Guerrero, H, 6	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	9	3.29
Chapman, BS, 16-18	1.0	1	2	1	1	2	23	2.19
Slaten, W, 1-4	1.0	1	2	0	0	1	16	5.89

T: 3:03. **A:** 34,573 (37,755).

Royals 5, White Sox 4

Kansas City	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Thomas cf	5	1	2	1	0	1	.216
Witt ss	3	1	0	1	1	2	.288
Jensen c	5	0	3	2	0	1	.251
Marte dh	5	1	2	0	0	1	.266
S.Perez 1b	5	0	2	0	0	2	.203
Massey 2b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.264
Collins lf	3	1	1	1	0	0	.230
Tolbert 3b	3	1	0	0	0	0	.219
Rojas ph-3b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.267
Misner rf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.281
Totals	37	5	11	5	2	8	

Chicago	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Antonacci lf	4	2	1	0	1	1	.292
Vargas 3b	2	2	2	2	2	0	.252
Teel c	4	0	1	2	0	2	.235
Benintendi dh	4	0	1	0	0	0	.238
Montgomery ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.221
Meidroth 2b	3	0	0	0	1	1	.276
B.Montgomery rf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.246
Peters cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.284
Gonzalez 1b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.219
Totals	32	4	7	4	5	6	

Kansas City	121	100	000 —	5	11	0
Chicago	220	000	000 —	4	7	1

E: C.Montgomery (6). **LOB:** Kansas City 9, Chicago 6. **2B:** Collins (13), Jensen (17), Vargas (14). **HR:** Vargas (19), off Avila. **RBIs:** Jensen 2 (45), Thomas (23), Witt (33), Collins (24), Vargas 2 (52), Teel 2 (5). **SB:** Thomas (4), Marte (1), Misner (3), Peters (5). **SF:** Witt. **RISP:** Kansas City 3 for 13; Chicago 1 for 5. **DP:** Kansas City 1 (Massey, Witt, S.Perez).

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Avila	4.0	6	4	4	3	4	86	5.40
Cruz, W, 2-2	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	11	5.68
Way, H, 1	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	21	3.95
Erceg, H, 3	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	18	5.40
Strahm, H, 10	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	9	5.74
Lange, S, 7-7	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	10	4.95

Chicago	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Kay, L, 6-3	3.2	7	5	4	1	2	73	4.50
Richards	1.1	0	0	0	0	1	16	3.81
Domínguez	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	18	4.30
Hudson	1.0	2	0	0	1	1	15	2.13
Hicks	1.1	0	0	0	0	2	13	4.95
Murphy	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	7	4.60

T: 2:52. **A:** 27,301 (40,241).

Phillies 5, Mets 4

Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Turner ss	5	1	1	0	0	0	.232
Schwarber dh	5	2	2	2	0	2	.256
Harper 1b	3	0	0	1	0	1	.276
Bohm 3b	3	1	2	1	1	0	.225
Marsh lf	4	0	2	1	0	1	.321
Realmuto c	4	0	1	0	0	2	.205
Stott 2b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.236
Hill rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.241
Crawford cf	4	1	1	0	0	0	.243
Totals	36	5	10	5	1	9	

Mets	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Benge rf	5	0	1	2	0	1	.257
Soto lf	2	0	1	0	3	0	.300
Bichette ss	4	0	1	0	1	2	.254
Wagaman 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.192
Mauricio 3b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.190
Alvarez dh	5	1	1	0	0	3	.249
Vientos 3b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.212
Young ph-1b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.233
Taylor cf	2	1	2	0	0	0	.202
Ewing ph-cf	3	1	2	2	0	0	.279
Baty 2b	2	1	0	0	3	0	.210
Torrens c	4	0	1	0	1	0	.214
Totals	36	4	9	4	8	10	

Philadelphia	003	000	200 —	5	10	1
Mets	000	013	000 —	4	9	0

E: Alvarado (2). **LOB:** Philadelphia 6, New York 14. **2B:** Bohm (11), Marsh (15), Alvarez (6). **HR:** Schwarber (30), off Senga; Ewing (4), off Shugart. **RBIs:** Harper (51), Bohm (43), Marsh (42), Schwarber 2 (54), Benge 2 (32), Ewing 2 (19). **SB:** Schwarber (2), Turner (16). **SF:** Harper. **Runners left in scoring position:** Philadelphia 3 (Hill 3); New York 9 (Baty 2, Alvarez 2, Vientos, Bichette, Wagaman 2, Benge). **RISP:** Philadelphia 2 for 6; New York 2 for 16.

Philadelphia	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Luzardo	5.0	4	1	1	3	6	96	3.88
Shugart, BS, 0-1	0.1	3	3	3	1	1	20	4.18
Backhus, W, 1-0	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	8	6.00
Alvarado, H, 9	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	24	5.70
Kerkering, H, 7	1.0	0	0	0	3	1	27	2.76
Duran, S, 21-22	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	20	1.57

Mets	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Pérez	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	9	4.83
Myers	3.0	6	3	3	0	3	59	6.21
Senga, L, 0-7	5.0	4	2	2	1	4	80	9.09

T: 3:11. **A:** 38,770 (42,136).

Guardians 6, Mariners 5

Seattle	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Crawford 3b	6	0	2	0	0	1	.222
Rodríguez cf	4	1	2	1	1	2	.253
Naylor 1b	4	1	2	1	0	0	.256
Arozarena lf	5	0	0	0	0	1	.283
Raleigh dh	3	1	1	0	2	0	.165
Young 2b	5	1	2	0	0	0	.253
Emerson ss	5	0	1	0	0	1	.205
Garver c	3	0	1	1	1	2	.190
Canzone ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	.274
Robles rf	5	1	2	0	0	1	.242
Totals	41	5	13	3	4	9	

Cleveland	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Kwan cf	4	1	1	0	1	0	.210
Bazzana 2b	3	0	0	1	1	1	.256
DeLauter dh	5	1	2	2	0	1	.265
Manzardo 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.230
Hoskins ph-1b	2	0	2	2	0	0	.182
Watson rf	3	0	2	0	0	1	.290
Fry ph-rf	1	0	0	0	1	0	.207
Rocchio ss	4	1	1	0	1	0	.268
Ingle lf	2	1	0	0	2	2	.143
Arias 3b	2	1	1	0	0	0	.211
Schneemann ph-3b	2	1	2	1	0	0	.214
Hedges c	2	0	1	0	0	0	.269
Bailey ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	1	.174
Totals	34	6	12	6	6	7	

Seattle	012	001	001 —	5	13	1
Cleveland	000	010	05x —	6	12	2

E: Young (4), Rocchio (8), Bazzana (4). **LOB:** Seattle 14, Cleveland 12. **2B:** Naylor (11), Schneemann (10), Hoskins (13). **RBIs:** Garver (12), Naylor (34), Rodríguez (40), Bazzana (25), Schneemann (27), DeLauter 2 (36), Hoskins 2 (29). **SB:** Rocchio (13), Watson (2), Robles 3 (6), Rodríguez (12). **SF:** Bazzana. **S:** Kwan, Bailey. **RISP:** Seattle 2 for 14; Cleveland 4 for 13. **DP:** Cleveland 1 (Rocchio, Bazzana, Hoskins).

Seattle	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Hancock	5.2	5	1	1	3	6	97	3.47
Bazardo, H, 17	0.1	1	0	0	0	1	10	1.96
Speier, H, 11	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	13	1.71
Rucker, L, 0-1, H, 1	0.1	2	4	4	2	0	21	8.53
Simpson, BS, 0-1	0.2	2	1	1	1	0	18	9.00

Cleveland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Williams	5.0	6	3	2	3	6	103	3.81
Armstrong	0.2	2	1	1	0	2	18	4.56
Herrin	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	16	3.14
Festa, W, 2-1	1.1	2	0	0	1	0	20	3.93
Smith, S, 26-29	1.0	2	1	0	0	1	21	3.05

T: 3:18. **A:** 27,934 (34,788).

Astros 7, Tigers 5

Houston	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Peña ss	5	1	1	0	0	4	.295
Alvarez dh	3	1	0	0	2	1	.311
Paredes 3b	5	2	3	2	0	0	.256
Walker 1b	4	1	1	3	1	1	.240
Loperfido rf	1	0	0	0	1	1	.221
Smith ph-rf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.218
Diaz c	5	0	0	0	0	2	.244
Trammell lf	1	0	0	0	1	0	.264
Matthews ph-lf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.193
Meyers cf	4	1	1	0	0	1	.205
Delgado 2b	4	1	1	2	0	1	.280
Totals	38	7	7	7	5	13	

Detroit	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
McGonigle 3b	2	1	0	0	3	1	.281
Keith 1b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.248
Jansen p-p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---
Jones ph	0	0	0	0	1	0	.141
Waguespack p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---
Greene lf	5	1	0	0	0	2	.285
Dingler c	5	0	0	0	0	1	.262
Carpenter dh	3	1	2	0	0	1	.234
Torkelson ph-dh-1b	2	1	2	2	0	0	.213
McKinstry ss	5	1	2	2	0	0	.191
Lee 2b	4	0	0	0	1	1	.252
Outman cf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.165
Malgeri ph-rf	0	0	0	0	2	0	.333
Vierling rf-cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.203
Totals	37	5	9	4	7	7	

Houston	000	000	210	4 —	7	7	1
Detroit	020	010	000	2 —	5	9	1

E: Delgado (2), Keith (2). **LOB:** Houston 7, Detroit 11. **2B:** Meyers (6), Keith (9). **HR:** Delgado (1), off Holton; Paredes (11), off Finnegan; Walker (19), off Jansen; McKinstry (3), off Brown; Torkelson (13), off De Los Santos. **RBIs:** Delgado 2 (4), Paredes 2 (45), Walker 3 (56), McKinstry 2 (14), Torkelson 2 (34). **SB:** Vierling (3), Lee (1). **CS:** Lee (2). **S:** Vierling. . **RISP:** Houston 3 for 8; Detroit 1 for 10. **DP:** Houston 1 (Peña, Walker).

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Brown	6.0	5	3	2	2	4	103	1.78
Abreu	0.2	1	0	0	1	0	15	6.00
Okert	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2.48
King	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	8	2.25
Hader, W, 2-0	1.0	0	0	0	3	2	29	0.75
De Los Santos	1.0	2	2	1	1	1	25	4.91

Detroit	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Flaherty	5.0	2	0	0	3	9	94	4.97
Holton, H, 8	1.2	1	2	0	0	0	21	3.26
Finnegan, BS, 1-6	1.1	2	1	1	1	3	27	2.06
Jansen, L, 1-4	1.1	2	4	3	1	1	28	5.31
Waguespack	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	5	2.35

T: 3:32. **A:** 33,655 (41,083).

Nationals 6, Orioles 4

Washington	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Wood dh	3	2	1	0	2	1	.258
García 1b	5	3	3	5	0	0	.279
Mead 3b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.222
Abrams ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	.275
Crews rf	3	0	1	0	1	1	.226
Lile lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.248
J.Young cf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.224
Vivas 2b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.260
Nuñez 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0	.237
Ruiz c	3	1	1	0	1	1	.277
Totals	33	6	7	5	5	6	

Baltimore	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Ward lf	3	0	0	0	1	1	.256
Henderson ss	4	0	0	0	0	0	.221
Rutschman c	3	1	1	0	1	0	.255
Alonso dh	4	1	1	2	0	1	.252
Basallo 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.251
Alexander ph-3b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.302
Beavers rf	2	0	0	0	1	2	.238
O'Neill ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.182
Mayo 3b-1b	3	0	0	0	1	1	.190
Cowser cf	3	1	2	0	0	0	.235
Taveras ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.247
Holliday 2b	3	1	1	2	0	0	.204
Totals	31	4	5	4	4	5	

Washington	003	020	100 —	6	7	0
Baltimore	200	000	200 —	4	5	1

E: Mayo (6). **LOB:** Washington 5, Baltimore 4. **2B:** García 2 (14), Mead (11). **HR:** García (15), off Wells; García (16), off Suárez; Alonso (19), off Littell; Holliday (5), off Parker. **RBIs:** García 5 (55), Alonso 2 (58), Holliday 2 (14). **SB:** Cowser (3). **CS:** Wood (2). **RISP:** Washington 1 for 7; Baltimore 0 for 1.

Washington	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Littell, W, 7-6	5.0	3	2	2	2	3	82	5.29
Parker, H, 7	1.2	2	2	2	1	2	29	6.58
Lovelady, H, 9	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	6	3.86
Poulin, S, 3-5	2.0	0	0	0	1	0	25	2.88

Baltimore	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Bradish, L, 5-8	4.0	1	4	3	5	2	85	3.77
Wells	1.0	2	1	1	0	1	16	3.35
Suárez	3.0	3	1	1	0	2	37	3.93
Wolfram	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	9	3.33

T: 2:55. **A:** 27,626 (45,971).

Cubs 4, Brewers 3

Chicago	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Crow-Armstrong cf	2	1	0	0	3	1	.278
Bregman 3b	4	1	0	0	0	1	.239
Busch 1b	4	0	0	1	1	2	.236
Suzuki dh	5	0	1	2	0	2	.262
Happ lf	4	1	0	0	1	2	.224
Hoerner 2b	4	0	2	0	0	0	.242
Conforto rf	2	0	0	0	0	0	.232
Shaw ph-rf	0	0	0	0	1	0	.246
Dean ph-rf	1	1	0	0	0	1	.500
Amaya c	2	0	1	0	0	1	.227
Ramirez ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	.260
Kelly c	1	0	0	0	0	0	.276
Swanson ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	.190
Totals	34	4	4	3	6	12	

Milwaukee	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Yelich dh	5	1	2	1	0	3	.263
Chourio cf-lf	4	0	1	0	1	2	.297
Turang 2b	5	0	3	0	0	1	.260
Vaughn 1b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.331
Perkins cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.161
Mitchell ph	0	0	0	1	1	0	.247
Bauers lf-1b	5	0	0	0	0	2	.262
Sánchez c	4	1	1	1	1	0	.220
Frelick rf	3	0	1	0	1	0	.238
Pratt ss	4	0	0	0	0	3	.222
Hamilton 3b	2	0	1	0	0	0	.237
Contreras ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.301
Ortiz 3b	1	1	0	0	0	1	.200
Totals	38	3	10	3	4	12	

Chicago	000	000	100	3 —	4	4	1
Milwaukee	010	000	000	2 —	3	10	0

E: Ferguson (). **LOB:** Chicago 8, Milwaukee 10. **2B:** Amaya (6). **3B:** Vaughn (2). **HR:** Sánchez (8), off Rolison. **RBIs:** Busch (45), Suzuki 2 (37), Sánchez (22), Yelich (26), Mitchell (37). **SB:** Crow-Armstrong 2 (20). Chicago 4 (Swanson, Bregman, Busch, Happ); Milwaukee 4 (Turang, Vaughn, Ortiz, Frelick). **RISP:** Chicago 1 for 10; Milwaukee 2 for 12. **DP:** Chicago 2 (Busch, Swanson, Busch; Bregman, Hoerner, Busch).

Chicago	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Rolison	2.0	2	1	1	0	2	23	1.99
Wilson	4.1	4	0	0	0	4	61	0.00
Thielbar	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	16	4.30
Ferguson	0.2	1	0	0	0	1	8	7.94
Webb, W, 3-2	1.0	1	0	0	1	3	21	3.47
Roberts	0.0	2	2	1	1	0	9	4.21
Wicks, S, 1-1	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	11	13.50

Milwaukee	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Woodruff	5.2	1	0	0	2	6	84	2.59
Ashby, BS, 0-4	0.2	1	1	1	2	1	24	3.31
Uribe	1.2	0	0	0	0	1	14	3.09
Megill	1.0	1	0	0	0	3	19	3.48
Kuhnel, L, 1-3	1.0	1	3	2	2	1	26	4.72

T: 3:09. **A:** 42,056 (41,700).

Cardinals 2, Marlins 1

Miami	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Marsee cf	3	0	0	0	1	1	.196
Lopez ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.332
Stowers dh	4	0	0	0	0	2	.226
Edwards 2b	3	0	1	0	1	0	.298
Hernández lf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.217
Conine 1b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.214
Sanoja ph-3b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.257
Caissie rf	1	1	1	0	1	0	.231
Ruiz ph-rf	1	0	0	0	0	0	.266
Pauley 3b-1b	2	0	1	1	0	0	.176
Jiménez ph-1b	1	0	1	0	0	0	.188
Navarreto c	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Mack ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	0	.250
Totals	29	1	4	1	3	9	

St. Louis	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Wetherholt 2b	4	0	2	0	0	2	.265
Herrera dh	3	0	0	0	0	0	.256
Burleson 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.280
Nootbaar rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.294
Winn ss	3	1	1	0	0	0	.244
Torres lf	3	1	1	2	0	0	.234
Jordan 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.250
Church cf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.258
Pagés c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.220
Totals	28	2	6	2	0	2	

Miami	000	010	000 —	1	4	0
St. Louis	020	000	00x —	2	6	0

LOB: Miami 5, St. Louis 2. **2B:** Caissie (12), Pauley (8). **HR:** Torres (3), off Phillips. **RBIs:** Pauley (11), Torres 2 (7). **SB:** Wetherholt (9), Edwards (12). **S:** Navarreto. **RISP:** Miami 1 for 6; St. Louis 0 for 3. **DP:** Miami 1 (Sanoja, Edwards, Pauley); St. Louis 1 (Winn, Burleson).

Miami	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Phillips, L, 1-3	7.1	6	2	2	0	1	97	3.02
Gibson	0.2	0	0	0	0	1	7	5.87

St. Louis	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Leahy, W, 6-4	5.0	2	1	1	3	5	87	4.09
Romero, H, 19	1.1	1	0	0	0	1	17	3.72
Stanek, H, 14	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	10	5.12
Soriano, H, 11	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	12	3.38
O'Brien, S, 20-24	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	15	3.93

T: 2:16. **A:** 37,779 (44,494).

Pirates 9, Reds 4

Cincinnati	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
De La Cruz ss	4	1	1	0	1	0	.268
Stewart 3b	5	1	2	0	0	0	.254
Bleday lf	3	0	1	2	1	0	.241
Suárez dh	2	0	0	0	0	1	.208
N.Lowe ph-dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	.253
Steer 1b	4	0	0	0	0	2	.238
Marte rf	3	1	0	0	1	1	.191
Stephenson c	3	1	2	1	1	0	.224
Friedl cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.175
Arroyo 2b	4	0	2	1	0	2	.279
Totals	**33**	**4**	**8**	**4**	**4**	**6**	

Pittsburgh	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Griffin ss	5	0	1	0	0	1	.273
B.Lowe 2b	4	0	0	0	1	3	.243
Reynolds dh	3	1	0	0	2	1	.286
Gonzales 3b	2	2	1	0	2	0	.297
Triolo 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0	.238
O'Hearn 1b	5	3	3	4	0	1	.286
Valdez rf	4	2	3	2	1	0	.262
Cook cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.154
Callihan lf-rf	4	1	2	3	1	1	.259
Mangum cf-lf	4	0	0	0	1	2	.297
Davis c	4	0	1	0	0	2	.149
Totals	**35**	**9**	**11**	**9**	**8**	**11**	

Cincinnati	**000 220 000**	**—**	**4**	**8**	**1**
Pittsburgh	**040 010 04x**	**—**	**9**	**11**	**1**

E: Arroyo (4), B.Lowe (7). **LOB:** Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 11. **2B:** Stewart (18), Stephenson (8), Valdez (3). **HR:** Callihan (3), off Singer; O'Hearn (12), off Singer; O'Hearn (13), off Johnson; Valdez (5), off Johnson. **RBIs:** Bleday 2 (37), Stephenson (24), Arroyo (4), Valdez 2 (10), Callihan 3 (12), O'Hearn 4 (50). **CS:** Bleday (3). 2). **RISP:** Cincinnati 2 for 8; Pittsburgh 4 for 10. **DP:** Cincinnati 1 (Stewart, Stephenson, Stewart); Pittsburgh 2 (O'Hearn, Griffin; B.Lowe, Griffin, O'Hearn).

Cincinnati	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Singer, L, 3-7	4.1	9	5	5	0	6	98	5.12
Garcia	1.1	0	0	0	3	2	30	3.00
McCambley	0.1	0	0	0	3	0	15	6.23
Burke	1.1	0	0	0	0	1	9	2.72
Johnson	0.2	2	4	4	2	2	27	4.50

Pittsburgh	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Keller, W, 6-5	6.0	5	4	3	1	4	79	4.87
Mlodzinski, H, 1	2.0	3	0	0	1	1	42	3.47
Santana	1.0	0	0	0	2	1	23	4.72

T: 2:58. **A:** 24,023 (38,753).

Twins 3, Rockies 2

Colorado	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Castro 2b	5	1	1	0	0	3	.273
Freeman rf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.276
Moniak ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.268
Goodman dh	4	0	0	0	0	1	.242
Rumfield 1b	4	1	2	1	0	1	.294
Carrigg cf	3	0	2	0	0	0	.268
Karros 3b	2	0	0	0	1	2	.251
Johnston lf	4	0	2	1	0	2	.315
Fulford c	3	0	0	0	0	2	.214
Tovar ss	3	0	0	0	0	1	.209
McCarthy ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.304
Totals	**33**	**2**	**7**	**2**	**1**	**14**	

Minnesota	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Larnach lf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.288
Bell ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.243
Fedko cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Buxton dh	4	0	0	0	0	1	.268
Clemens 2b	4	1	1	1	0	0	.242
Lewis 1b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.213
Lee 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0	.248
Keaschall rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.245
Kreidler ss	3	1	1	1	0	0	.290
Martin cf-lf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.244
Jackson c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.318
Totals	**31**	**3**	**8**	**2**	**0**	**1**	

Colorado	**100 001 000**	**—**	**2**	**7**	**1**
Minnesota	**010 100 10x**	**—**	**3**	**8**	**0**

E: Karros (7). **LOB:** Colorado 9, Minnesota 4. **2B:** Carrigg (3), Lewis (8), Larnach (15). **HR:** Clemens (13), off Feltner; Kreidler (5), off Halvorsen. **RBIs:** Rumfield (45), Johnston (36), Clemens (34), Kreidler (21). **SB:** Carrigg (2), Lee (5). **S:** Carrigg. **Runners left in scoring position:** Colorado 5 (Johnston, Tovar 2, Karros 2); Minnesota 3 (Lewis, Bell, Martin). **RISP:** Colorado 3 for 10; Minnesota 1 for 7. Kreidler, Clemens.

Colorado	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Feltner	6.0	5	2	1	0	0	82	4.42
Halvorsen, L, 0-1	0.2	3	1	1	0	0	15	3.50
Bernardino	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.58
Mejia	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	16	6.38

Minnesota	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Prielipp	6.0	6	2	2	0	10	93	4.96
Morris, W, 4-2	1.1	0	0	0	0	2	15	4.03
Banda, H, 10	0.2	1	0	0	1	2	14	4.46
Gómez, S, 8-8	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3.46

T: 2:23. **A:** 20,277 (38,544).

Rangers 3, Blue Jays 2

Texas	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Pederson dh	5	1	1	1	0	3	.241
Jung 3b	5	0	2	0	0	1	.293
Kelenic pr-lf	0	1	0	0	0	0	.213
Seager ss	3	0	0	0	2	2	.182
Nimmo rf	2	1	0	0	2	0	.262
Burger 1b	3	0	0	0	1	1	.257
Duran 2b-lf-3b	4	0	2	0	0	0	.271
Carter cf	2	0	0	0	0	1	.174
Foscue ph	0	0	0	0	1	0	.268
Lopez pr-2b	1	0	1	0	0	0	.313
Díaz c	4	0	2	1	0	1	.288
Osuna lf-cf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.252
Totals	**33**	**3**	**8**	**2**	**6**	**10**	

Toronto	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Springer dh	4	1	2	0	0	0	.220
Lukes rf	4	1	2	2	0	1	.310
Guerrero 1b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.268
Okamoto 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.238
Varsho cf	4	0	1	0	0	2	.258
Clement 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.299
Kirk c	4	0	0	0	0	0	.183
Piñango lf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.276
Giménez ss	2	0	1	0	1	1	.242
Totals	**33**	**2**	**6**	**2**	**1**	**8**	

Texas	**100 001 001**	**—**	**3**	**8**	**2**
Toronto	**000 000 020**	**—**	**2**	**6**	**1**

E: Seager (4), Díaz (2), Clement (8). **LOB:** Texas 9, Toronto 5. **2B:** Jung (19). **HR:** Pederson (13), off Bieber; Lukes (4), off Winn. **RBIs:** Pederson (29), Díaz (13), Lukes 2 (17). **CS:** Lopez (2). **Runners left in scoring position:** Texas 3 (Carter 2, Burger); Toronto 3 (Varsho, Lukes 2). **RISP:** Texas 1 for 6; Toronto 0 for 4. **DP:** Texas 1 (Seager, Duran, Burger); Toronto 2 (Guerrero; Guerrero, Kirk, Guerrero).

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Rocker	6.0	4	0	0	1	5	92	3.82
Winn, W, 3-2	2.0	2	2	2	0	2	28	6.58
Alexander, S, 4-5	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	10	2.62

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Bieber	5.1	5	2	2	4	4	92	6.00
Macko	1.1	1	0	0	2	1	25	1.26
Hoffman	1.1	1	0	0	0	2	24	4.54
Varland, L, 3-3	1.0	1	1	1	0	3	23	1.00

T: 2:50. **A:** 40,898 (39,150).

Golf

PGA Tour - Travelers Championship

At TPC River Highlands; Cromwell, Conn.; Purse: $20 million; Yardage: 6,844; Par: 70: x-Playoff Suspended. Will resume on Monday.

Final Round

x-Viktor Hovland	65-61-64-69	259	-21
x-Scottie Scheffler	64-60-67-68	259	-21
Collin Morikawa	69-66-64-61	260	-20
Matt Fitzpatrick	64-66-67-64	261	-19
Akshay Bhatia	66-62-67-67	262	-18
Wyndham Clark	68-64-65-65	262	-18
Corey Conners	65-68-67-63	263	-17
Alex Fitzpatrick	69-66-64-64	263	-17
J.J. Spaun	66-65-68-64	263	-17
Ben Griffin	64-66-67-67	264	-16
Robert MacIntyre	67-65-67-65	264	-16
Sam Burns	66-66-66-67	265	-15
Russell Henley	66-70-65-64	265	-15
Keegan Bradley	67-65-70-64	266	-14
Patrick Cantlay	65-66-64-71	266	-14
Bud Cauley	64-66-70-66	266	-14
Tommy Fleetwood	67-64-70-65	266	-14
Nicolai Hojgaard	71-66-67-62	266	-14
Hideki Matsuyama	67-67-66-66	266	-14
Denny McCarthy	67-68-66-65	266	-14
Justin Thomas	68-66-65-67	266	-14
Shane Lowry	68-65-64-70	267	-13
Keith Mitchell	68-67-63-69	267	-13
Kristoffer Reitan	64-68-68-67	267	-13
Daniel Berger	70-67-65-66	268	-12
Brian Harman	66-70-63-69	268	-12
Kurt Kitayama	69-63-69-67	268	-12
Justin Rose	65-66-67-70	268	-12
Nick Taylor	68-71-64-65	268	-12
Nicolas Echavarria	64-69-68-68	269	-11
Chris Gotterup	71-65-63-70	269	-11
Sungjae Im	68-66-66-69	269	-11
Michael Kim	68-67-68-66	269	-11
Matthew McCarty	69-70-63-67	269	-11
Andrew Novak	67-72-67-63	269	-11
Aaron Rai	65-68-67-69	269	-11
Jackson Suber	68-67-64-70	269	-11
Eric Cole	63-65-69-73	270	-10
Harris English	66-66-70-68	270	-10
Rickie Fowler	69-66-68-67	270	-10
Ryo Hisatsune	68-70-64-68	270	-10
Tom Hoge	67-70-65-68	270	-10
Brandt Snedeker	65-69-70-66	270	-10

Champions Tour - DICK'S Open

At En-Joie GC; Endicott, N.Y.; Purse: $2.2 million; Yardage: 6,994; Par: 72; x-Cicky Pride wns in a playoff

Final Round

x-Dicky Pride, $330,000	63-70-65	198	-18
Padraig Harrington, $193,600	65-67-66	198	-18
Matt Gogel, $158,400	69-65-65	199	-17
J.J. Henry, $132,000	69-66-65	200	-16
Fredrik Jacobson, $90,933	66-69-66	201	-15
Timothy O'Neal, $90,933	71-65-65	201	-15
Bo Van Pelt, $90,933	66-69-66	201	-15
Richard Green, $70,400	67-67-68	202	-14
Michael Block, $0	66-70-67	203	-13
Miguel Angel Jimenez, $59,400	70-66-67	203	-13
Darren Clarke, $48,400	65-73-66	204	-12
Mathew Goggin, $0	70-65-69	204	-12
Thongchai Jaidee, $48,400	66-67-71	204	-12
Greg Chalmers, $38,500	67-71-67	205	-11
Tommy Gainey, $38,500	65-70-70	205	-11
Paul Stankowski, $38,500	70-65-70	205	-11
Boo Weekley, $38,500	67-69-69	205	-11
Stephen Ames, $32,010	67-69-70	206	-10
Retief Goosen, $32,010	69-71-66	206	-10

LPGA Tour - KPMG Women's PGA Championship

At Hazeltine; Chaska, Minn.; Purse: $13 million; Yardage: 6,760; Par: 72

Final Round

Hae-Ran Ryu	73-64-68-70	275	-13
Ina Yoon	63-69-75-70	277	-11
Brooke Henderson	69-68-69-72	278	-10
Dewi Weber	70-70-68-70	278	-10
Allisen Corpuz	71-70-70-70	281	-7
Auston Kim	71-70-69-71	281	-7
Alison Lee	69-72-68-72	281	-7
A Lim Kim	67-70-71-74	282	-6
Sei Young Kim	72-71-70-69	282	-6
Nelly Korda	70-68-71-73	282	-6
Jeeno Thitikul	69-71-72-70	282	-6
Karis Davidson	65-74-71-73	283	-5
Gaby Lopez	71-73-71-68	283	-5
Miyu Yamashita	72-70-70-71	283	-5
Nasa Hataoka	70-67-76-71	284	-4
Esther Henseleit	69-74-69-72	284	-4
Lydia Ko	76-69-69-70	284	-4
Alexa Pano	67-76-71-71	285	-3
Ayaka Furue	69-71-72-74	286	-2
Aki Iwai	70-72-71-73	286	-2
Somi Lee	71-71-73-71	286	-2
Dongeun Lee	69-69-72-76	286	-2
Amy Yang	69-72-71-74	286	-2

DP World Tour - DS Automobiles 83° Open d*Italia

At Circolo Golf Torino; Fiano, Italy; Purse: $3 million; Yardage: 7,214; Par: 71

Final Round

Eugenio Lopez-Chacarra, $448,169	66-65-65-64	260	-24
Matt Wallace, $289,992	69-62-67-67	265	-19
Joaquin Niemann, $166,086	64-63-71-68	266	-18
Joakim Lagergren, $131,814	66-67-71-63	267	-17
Angel Ayora Fanegas, $111,779	66-63-71-68	268	-16
Oliver Lindell, $74,080	66-71-67-65	269	-15
Richie Ramsay, $74,080	69-65-68-67	269	-15
Daniel Rodrigues, $74,080	68-68-68-65	269	-15
Jeff Winther, $74,080	70-69-63-67	269	-15

Rays 5, Diamondbacks 1

Arizona	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Marte dh	3	1	1	1	0	0	.262
Perdomo ss	3	0	1	0	1	1	.245
Carroll rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.278
Del Castillo c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.188
Moreno ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	1	.280
Gurriel lf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.219
Smith 1b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.161
Arenado 3b	4	0	0	0	0	3	.237
Vargas 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.256
Troy cf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.228
Totals	**32**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**1**	**9**	

Tampa Bay	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Díaz dh	2	1	1	1	0	0	.336
Palacios ph-dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	.231
Aranda 1b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.286
Caminero 3b	3	1	3	2	1	0	.292
Mesa rf	4	0	1	0	0	2	.197
Simpson lf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.267
Mullins cf	4	1	1	1	0	1	.207
Williamson 2b	4	1	1	1	0	1	.236
Walls ss	3	1	1	0	0	0	.223
Fortes c	3	0	1	0	0	1	.253
Totals	**31**	**5**	**10**	**5**	**2**	**5**	

Arizona	**000 000 010**	**—**	**1**	**5**	**0**
Tampa Bay	**120 011 00x**	**—**	**5**	**10**	**0**

LOB: Arizona 7, Tampa Bay 5. **2B:** Smith (1), Simpson (7). **HR:** Marte (15), off Cleavinger; Mullins (8), off M.Kelly; Caminero (22), off M.Kelly; Williamson (2), off M.Kelly. **RBIs:** Marte (49), Caminero 2 (49), Mullins (25), Díaz (53), Williamson (20). **SB:** Mesa (1). **CS:** Simpson (9). **SF:** Díaz. **RISP:** Arizona 0 for 6; Tampa Bay 1 for 5. **DP:** Arizona 1 (Perdomo, Smith).

Arizona	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
M.Kelly, L, 5-8	6.0	8	5	5	2	3	93	5.84
Loáisiga	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	12	2.64
Jameson	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	14	5.23

Tampa Bay	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Rasmussen, W, 7-4	6.0	3	0	0	1	5	99	2.45
Kimbrel	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	10	5.32
Cleavinger	1.0	1	1	1	0	2	16	4.43
Martin	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	14	3.97

T: 2:26. **A:** 17,195 (25,025).

Giants 3, Braves 2

Atlanta	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Dubón lf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.267
Harris cf	3	0	0	1	0	0	.297
Albies 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.274
Olson 1b	4	1	3	0	0	1	.276
Baldwin dh	4	0	0	0	0	0	.255
Riley 3b	4	0	0	1	0	0	.209
Bart c	3	0	0	0	0	0	.236
Do.Smith ph	1	0	1	0	0	0	.279
Mateo pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.262
White rf	3	1	1	0	0	0	.219
Yastrzemski ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	.220
Kim ss	2	0	0	0	1	0	.068
Totals	**33**	**2**	**6**	**2**	**1**	**3**	

San Francisco	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Chapman 3b	4	0	2	0	0	1	.241
Arraez 2b	3	1	2	1	0	0	.324
Ramos dh	3	1	1	0	1	1	.268
Devers 1b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.240
Adames ss	4	0	1	0	0	3	.231
Schmitt ss	0	0	0	0	0	0	.290
Bericoto lf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.250
J.Lee rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	.322
Haase c	3	0	0	0	1	2	.190
Cox cf	2	0	0	0	0	2	.292
Gilbert ph-cf	1	1	1	0	0	0	.233
Totals	**32**	**3**	**10**	**2**	**2**	**12**	

Atlanta	**000 000 011**	**—**	**2**	**6**	**2**
San Francisco	**000 002 10x**	**—**	**3**	**10**	**1**

E: Riley (7), Albies (4), Chapman (9). **LOB:** Atlanta 6, San Francisco 8. **2B:** Dubón (17), Olson (21), Chapman (18). **RBIs:** Harris (43), Riley (37), J.Lee (31), Arraez (31). **SB:** White (4), Mateo (8). **SF:** Harris, Arraez. **Runners left in scoring position:** Atlanta 4 (Yastrzemski, Albies 3); San Francisco 4 (Cox, Adames, Haase 2). **RISP:** Atlanta 0 for 7; San Francisco 2 for 8. **GIDP:** J.Lee. **DP:** Atlanta 1 (Olson, Kim, Olson).

Atlanta	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Sale, L, 8-6	6.0	8	2	1	1	10	94	2.10
Fuentes	0.1	2	1	1	1	0	16	2.59
D.Lee	0.2	0	0	0	0	2	7	0.97
Kinley	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	12	3.00

San Francisco	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Ray, W, 7-6	8.0	4	1	0	1	2	95	3.39
Kilian, S, 6-8	1.0	2	1	1	0	1	18	4.11

T: 2:23. **A:** 33,138 (41,915).

Angels 4, Athletics 1

Athletics	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Bolte cf	3	0	0	0	1	1	.299
Meneses 1b	2	0	0	1	1	0	.100
Langeliers c	3	0	1	0	1	2	.268
Heim dh	4	0	0	0	0	1	.238
Thomas lf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.203
Kurtz ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.279
Cortes lf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.275
Butler rf	4	0	2	0	0	1	.204
Muncy 3b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.232
McNeil 2b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.234
Williams ss	4	0	1	0	0	1	.283
Totals	**32**	**1**	**6**	**1**	**3**	**9**	

Los Angeles	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Neto ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	.222
Guzman 3b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.269
Schanuel dh	4	0	1	0	0	0	.262
Adell rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.248
Grissom 1b	3	1	1	0	0	1	.237
Meckler lf	2	1	1	0	1	0	.283
Peraza 2b	3	1	1	0	0	0	.260
Lowe cf	2	1	1	4	0	0	.204
Siri ph-cf	1	0	0	0	0	1	.268
Heineman c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.172
Totals	**30**	**4**	**7**	**4**	**1**	**5**	

Athletics	**000 010 000**	**—**	**1**	**6**	**0**
Los Angeles	**040 000 00x**	**—**	**4**	**7**	**0**

a-struck out for Lowe in the 7th. b-flied out for Thomas in the 8th. **LOB:** Athletics 8, Los Angeles 3. **HR:** Lowe (6), off Civale. **RBIs:** Meneses (2), Lowe 4 (18). **SF:** Meneses. **Runners left in scoring position:** Athletics 4 (Langeliers, Kurtz, Williams 2); Los Angeles 1 (Peraza). **RISP:** Athletics 0 for 8; Los Angeles 2 for 3. **Runners moved up:** Bolte.

Athletics	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Civale, L, 5-5	5.0	7	4	4	1	2	90	5.05
Alvarado	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	10	5.64
Suarez	2.0	0	0	0	0	2	21	5.02

Los Angeles	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Aldegheri, W, 3-3	5.0	5	1	1	1	4	81	4.85
Fermin, H, 4	2.0	0	0	0	0	1	26	3.52
Zeferjahn, H, 6	0.2	0	0	0	2	2	19	4.23
Natera, S, 1-1	1.1	1	0	0	0	2	24	0.96

T: 2:29. **A:** 32,557 (45,517).

Dodgers 4, Padres 2

Los Angeles	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Ohtani dh	4	1	1	1	1	2	.295
Pages cf	3	1	0	0	0	1	.267
Freeman 1b	3	0	0	1	1	1	.289
Betts ss	4	0	2	2	0	0	.236
Muncy 3b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.263
Edman lf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.333
Tucker rf	4	0	1	0	0	2	.239
Freeland 2b	2	2	1	0	1	1	.234
Rojas ph-2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.267
Robinson c	3	0	0	0	0	0	.105
Totals	**31**	**4**	**5**	**4**	**4**	**9**	

San Diego	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Tatis rf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.283
Taylor lf	4	0	0	0	0	4	.324
Merrill cf	4	1	1	0	0	2	.212
Machado 3b	4	1	2	1	0	0	.188
Sheets 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.231
France ph-1b	0	0	0	0	0	0	.255
Bogaerts ss	4	0	2	1	0	1	.229
Andujar dh	3	0	0	0	0	0	.249
Song 2b	2	0	0	0	2	1	.214
Durán c	1	0	0	0	0	1	.141
Wagner ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.257
Fermin c	0	0	0	0	1	0	.142
Totals	**30**	**2**	**6**	**2**	**3**	**10**	

Los Angeles	**001 030 000**	**—**	**4**	**5**	**0**
San Diego	**000 101 000**	**—**	**2**	**6**	**0**

LOB: Los Angeles 7, San Diego 8. **2B:** Machado (15). **HR:** Machado (15), off Sheehan. **RBIs:** Ohtani (47), Freeman (45), Betts 2 (27), Machado (44), Bogaerts (31). **SB:** Merrill (17). **S:** Robinson, Durán. **Runners left in scoring position:** Los Angeles 2 (Edman, Ohtani); San Diego 3 (Song, Taylor 2). **RISP:** Los Angeles 2 for 5; San Diego 1 for 8. **DP:** Los Angeles 2 (Muncy, Rojas, Freeman; Betts, Freeman).

Los Angeles	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Sheehan, W, 4-5	5.0	2	1	1	2	5	84	5.08
Vesia, H, 13	0.2	1	1	1	0	1	12	2.60
Klein, H, 11	1.0	2	0	0	0	2	22	2.51
Scott, H, 6	1.1	1	0	0	0	2	17	2.10
Henriquez, S, 1-1	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	11	2.76

San Diego	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
King, L, 5-7	4.1	3	4	4	4	5	90	3.55
Matsui	1.2	1	0	0	0	2	28	1.53
Adam	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	15	2.30
Peralta	2.0	0	0	0	0	2	22	1.69

T: 2:53. **A:** 41,189 (40,222).

FIFA Men's World Cup

ROUND OF 32 - Knockout Round

Sunday

Canada 1, South Africa 0

Monday

Brazil vs. Japan, 1pm
Germany vs. Paraguay, 4:30pm
Netherlands vs. Morocco, 9pm

Tuesday

Ivory Coast vs. Norway, 1pm
France vs. Sweden, 5pm
Mexico vs. Ecuador, 9pm

Wednesday

England vs. Congo, 12pm
Belgium vs. Senegal, 4pm
United States vs. Bosnia-Herzegovina, 8pm

Thursday

Spain vs. Austria, 3pm
Portugal vs. Croatia, 7pm
Switzerland vs. Algeria, 11pm

Friday

Australia vs. Egypt, 2pm
Argentina vs. Cape Verde, 6pm
Colombia vs. Ghana, 9:30pm

DP World Tour Schedule

June 18-21 — U.S. Open (Wyndham Clark)
June 25-28 — DS Automobiles 83° Open d*Italia, Fiano, Italy
July 2-5 — BMW International Open, Munich
July 9-12 — ISCO Championship, Louisville, Ky.
July 9-12 — Genesis Scottish Open, North Berwick, United Kingdom
July 16-19 — The Open Championship, Southport, United Kingdom
July 16-19 — Corales Puntacana Championship, Punta Cana, Dominican Republic
Aug. 13-16 — Danish Golf Championship, Kerteminde
Aug. 20-23 — Nexo Championship, Aberdeen, United Kingdom
Aug. 27-30 — Husqvarna British Masters hosted by Sir Nick Faldo, Sutton Coldfield, United Kingdom

NWSL

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
San Diego	8	4	1	25	19	13
Utah Royals FC	7	2	3	24	18	10
Portland	7	3	3	24	20	14
Washington	6	2	3	21	18	9
Gotham FC	**6**	**2**	**3**	**21**	**12**	**5**
Kansas City	7	5	0	21	18	17
North Carolina	5	3	3	18	17	13
Orlando	5	5	2	17	18	17
Denver Summit FC	4	4	3	15	17	13
Seattle	4	5	2	14	10	13
Houston	4	6	2	14	14	19
Angel City	4	6	1	13	16	14
Bay FC	3	6	2	11	9	17
Boston Legacy FC	2	7	3	9	11	19
Chicago	3	9	0	9	5	24
Louisville	2	8	1	7	15	20

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Friday

Houston at Washington, 8pm
Kansas City at Denver Summit FC, 9:30pm
Orlando at Angel City, 10pm

Saturday

Seattle at North Carolina, 6:30pm
Gotham FC at San Diego, 8:45pm

Sunday

Bay FC at Boston Legacy FC, 12pm
Utah Royals FC at Chicago, 5pm
Louisville at Portland, 7pm

NASCAR

NASCAR Cup Series Schedule-Winners

May 24 — Coca-Cola 600 (Daniel Suárez)
May 31 — Cracker Barrel 400 (Denny Hamlin)
June 7 — FireKeepers Casino 400 (Denny Hamlin)
June 14 — Great American Getaway 400 presented by VISITPA (Denny Hamlin)
June 21 — Anduril 250 (Corey Heim)
June 28 — Toyota / Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
July 5 — eero 400, Joliet, Ill.
July 12 — Quaker State 400 Available at Walmart, Hampton, Ga.
July 19 — Window World 450, North Wilkesboro, N.C.
July 26 — Brickyard 400, Speedway, Ind.

NEW YORK POST ACTION

The POST Line

MLB
Monday
American League

Favorite	Money Line	Underdog
YANKEES	**$119-143**	Tigers
ORIOLES	**$113-136**	White Sox
GUARDIANS	**OFF**	Rangers
ASTROS	**$113-136**	Twins
MARINERS	**$184-226**	Angels

National League

Favorite	Money Line	Underdog
PHILLIES	**-105-115**	Pirates
BREWERS	**$129-156**	Reds
CUBS	**OFF**	Padres
ROCKIES	**OFF**	Marlins
D'BACKS	**$113-136**	Giants

Interleague

Favorite	Money Line	Underdog
BLUE JAYS	**$102-122**	Mets
RED SOX	**OFF**	Nationals
Dodgers	**$102-122**	ATHLETICS

Home team in CAPS

WNBA
Tuesday

Favorite	PTS (O/U)	Underdog
	Commissioner's Cup Final	
LIBERTY	**3.5 (174.5)**	Aces

FIFA World Cup
Monday- Round of 32

Favorite	Money Line	Underdog
*Brazil	**$140-400**	Japan
**Netherlands	**$130-250**	Morocco
***Germany	**$295-850**	Paraguay
*Houston, **Monterrey, Mexico, *** Foxborough, Mass.		
	Tuesday	
*Norway	**$100-260**	Ivory Coast
**France	**$375-900**	Sweden
***Mexico	**$120-250**	Ecuador
*Arlington, TX, **MetLife Stadium ***Mexico City		
	Wednesday	
***United States**	**$425-600**	Bosnia & Herzegovina
**England	**$375-1100**	DR Congo
***Belgium	**$115-240**	Senegal
*game held in Santa Clara, Calif. **Atlanta ***Seattle		
	Thursday	
*Spain	**$350-950**	Austria
**Portugal	**$130-350**	Croatia
***Switzerland	**$102-280**	Algeria
*Los Angeles	**Toronto	***Vancouver
	Friday	
*Egypt	**$135-230**	Australia
**Argentina	**$625-1600**	Cape Verde
***Colombia	**$185-525**	Ghana
*Dallas	**Miami	***Kansas City

SPORTS SHORTS

MLB: Ray bests Sale in Cy showdown

Robbie Ray outpitched **Chris Sale** in a matchup of Cy Young Award winners, and the Giants held off the Braves 3-2 in San Francisco. Ray allowed just four hits and an unearned run in eight innings.

● In San Diego, **Freddie Freeman** drew a tiebreaking, bases-loaded walk off suddenly wild **Michael King** in the fifth inning, and **Mookie Betts** followed with a two-run single for the Dodgers, who beat the Padres 4-2 to take two of three.

● In Milwaukee, **Seiya Suzuki** singled in two runs to key a three-run 10th inning, and **Jordan Wicks**, called up earlier Sunday, got a game-ending double play with the bases loaded to preserve the Cubs' 4-3 victory over the Brewers.

HOOPS: Hornets deal Bridges

The Hornets are continuing their offseason overhaul, agreeing to trade forward **Miles Bridges**, a 2029 first-round draft pick and a 2027 second-round pick to the Suns for guard **Grayson Allen**, forward **Royce O'Neale** and a 2033 first-round pick, per multiple reports.

● In Washington, **Sonia Citron** scored 32 points, including the basket that put her team ahead to stay with 21.4 seconds left, and the Washington Mystics held off the Portland Fire 124-123 in four overtimes — tying the longest game in WNBA history.

● In Chicago, **A'ja Wilson** had 30 points, 15 rebounds, four steals and three blocks to become the first player in WNBA history to reach those marks in a game as the Aces beat the Chicago Sky 107-99.

AUTO RACING: Russell wins

Racing in a heat wave with a broken drinks system, **George Russell** held off **Max Verstappen** and his own teammate **Andrea Kimi Antonelli** to turn his controversial pole position into a dominant win at the Austrian Grand Prix.

● In Sonoma, Calif., **Shane van Gisbergen** became the winningest active NASCAR Cup Series driver on road and street courses, dominating at Sonoma Raceway for the second consecutive year.

ETC.: Travelers goes to playoff

Scottie Scheffler made an 8-foot par putt on the 18th hole and pumped his fist with more emotion than he had shown all day, just for the right to return Monday at the rain-delayed Travelers Championship to face a sudden-death playoff against **Viktor Hovland**.

● In Chaska, Minn., **Haeran Ryu** recovered from a rough start to secure her first career major title, winning the Women's PGA Championship by two strokes over **Ina Yoon** in windy conditions at Hazeltine National Golf Club.

● Chicago Fire FC and **Robert Lewandowski** are finalizing a deal for the Poland striker to move to MLS this summer, according to multiple reports.

● In London, **Emma Raducanu** withdrew from Wimbledon because of a stress fracture in her right leg, leaving the tournament without its highest-profile British player.

TOP PLAY

Little hope vs. Germany

By MICHAEL TURAY

Germany and Paraguay are set to clash as World Cup Round of 32 action continues in Boston on Monday.

Julian Nagelsmann and Die Mannschaft won Group E convincingly, backed by a roster of goal-scoring talent. Their 7-1 thrashing of Curacao in their group-stage opener was followed by a come-from-behind 2-1 win over the Ivory Coast and a 2-1 loss to Ecuador.

La Albirroja overcame a 4-1 loss to the United States in their opener, then defeated Turkey 1-0 and drew with Australia to narrowly qualify for the knockout stage.

Germany is a -295 betting favorite on the three-way 90-minute moneyline, while Paraguay carries +850 odds to win and +450 odds for a draw.

Paraguay's attack is led by the duo of Julio Enciso and Miguel Almirón, with Almirón returning for this match after receiving a red card against Turkey. La Albirroja have struggled offensively, averaging only 36 percent possession entering this one.

The Germans have more than enough options in Florian Wirtz, Jamal Musiala, Kai Havertz, and off-the-bench spark plug Deniz Undav.

2014 World Cup winner Manuel Neuer controls the last line of defense for Nagelsmann's squad as the goalkeeper, though the team will be without key defender Nico Schlotterbeck, who suffered a tournament-ending injury against Ivory Coast.

As a team, Germany's attack boasts a plus-two goal differential, and I think this continues.

THE PLAY: Germany -1.5 (-106, FanDuel)

Pitching Form

		(Game time)	2026			'26 vs OPP		CAREER	LAST 3 STARTS		
			W-L	ERA	*REC	W-L	ERA	vs OPP	W-L	IP	ERA
Tigers	Mize (R)	–	2-5	2.95	3-8	0-1	6.92	2-2	0-2	14.1	4.40
Yankees	Weathers (L)	(7:05pm)	3-5	3.95	7-8	1-0	1.50	1-0	1-1	16.2	4.32
Mets	Manaea (L)	–	1-2	4.87	1-2	0-0	0.00	2-0	0-1	14.1	4.40
Blue Jays	Yesavage (R)	(7:07pm)	3-3	3.56	5-6	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-0	18.0	4.50
Nationals	Mikolas (R)	–	2-6	5.24	3-3	0-0	0.00	1-1	1-0	12.2	4.26
Red Sox	Suarez (L)	(7:10pm)	3-3	2.83	7-8	0-0	0.00	8-2	1-0	17.2	1.53
Dodgers	Lauer (L)	–	3-5	4.87	6-4	1-0	3.38	1-0	0-0	16.1	3.86
Athletics	Jump (L)	(9:40pm)	3-1	2.04	4-2	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-0	17.0	1.59
White Sox	Burke (R)	–	5-4	3.71	4-8	0-0	3.60	0-1	1-1	15.2	3.55
Orioles	Baz (R)	(6:35pm)	4-8	4.31	5-11	0-0	0.00	0-1	1-2	17.0	5.29
Rangers	deGrom (R)	–	6-5	3.55	9-7	1-0	0.00	1-0	1-1	18.0	5.00
Guardian	Messick (L)	(7:10pm)	7-4	2.67	10-6	0-1	4.76	0-1	1-2	19.1	3.72
Twins	Matthews (R)	–	3-5	4.56	3-5	0-1	3.00	0-1	1-2	19.0	5.21
Astros	Lambert (R)	(8:10pm)	6-4	3.28	7-5	0-0	0.00	0-0	1–0	18.0	2.50
Angels	Johnson (R)	–	1-2	8.84	1-2	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-2	14.1	6.91
Mariners	Kirby (R)	(9:40pm)	6-7	3.94	8-8	0-0	0.00	7-4	1-2	18.0	3.50
Pirates	Ashcraft (R)	–	7-3	3.07	10-6	0-0	5.40	1-0	2-0	17.0	2.12
Phillies	Nola (R)	(6:40pm)	3-4	5.58	9-7	0-0	14.73	4-3	0-0	14.2	4.30
Reds	Lodolo (L)	–	2-2	5.59	2-7	0-0	0.00	1-1	0-1	14.0	5.79
Brewers	Gasser (L)	(7:40pm)	1-3	4.50	2-4	0-0	0.00	0-1	1-1	16.2	4.32
Padres	TBD	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Cubs	Imanaga (L)	(8:05pm)	5-6	4.40	7-9	0-0	0.00	1-0	1-0	16.0	2.81
Marlins	Alcantara (R)	–	8-4	4.01	11-6	1-0	0.00	4-2	3-0	20.2	2.61
Rockies	Sullivan (L)	(8:40pm)	0-2	8.25	0-3	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-2	12.0	8.25
Giants	Mahle (R)	–	1-7	5.49	4-8	0-2	8.10	0-3	0-2	15.2	5.17
D'backs	Rodriguez (L)	(9:40pm)	6-2	2.27	12-4	1-0	3.00	3-1	1-0	16.1	1.10

*** REC:** Won-lost record of pitcher's team in games he has started.

STITCHES

Baz, Birds bash Sox

Here's the pitch. A few hard ones were offered this week. The Brewers' Jacob Misiorowski threw a pitch that registered 105 mph on the speed gun. Former Giant Plaxico Burress, who shot himself with a gun in his pants, is making a pitch to sell the ball he caught in Super Bowl 42. And reports have surfaced that southpaw Phil Mickelson, who may have had a piece in his pants, allegedly made a pitch to a friend's wife by "taking out his phone and showing her a full-body picture of himself, naked with an erection, while flexing one bicep."

Quick pick. Chisox/Orioles. Play $50 on Shane Baz and the O's.

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Pitch problems. Off-key Brady Singer allowed five runs, including two homers. The Reds came back, but Cincinnati's Pierce Johnson coughed up another four runs and the PiRats won 9-4. Bad weekend, but considering we didn't get a naked photo from an aging golfer, not so bad. Still up +31 joemorgans.

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Home Team Lineups

HOME AWAY

	TODAY June 29	TUE June 30	WED July 1	THU July 2	FRI July 3
	Detroit 7:05 YES 660 AM 101.9 FM	Detroit 7:05 Prime Video 660 AM 101.9 FM	Detroit 1:35 YES 660 AM 101.9 FM	NO GAME	Minnesota 7:05 YES 660 AM 101.9 FM
	Toronto 7:07 SNY 880 AM	Toronto 7:07 SNY 880 AM	Toronto 3:07 SNY 880 AM	NO GAME	Atlanta 7:15 PIX11 880 AM
	NO GAME	Las Vegas 7:00 Prime Video	NO GAME	NO GAME	Minnesota 7:30 ION

Wednesday, July 22		Wednesday, July 22		Saturday	
	FIFA World Cup Break until July 22		FIFA World Cup Break until July 22		San Diego Wave FC 8:45 ION

Today's Sports on the Air

MLB BASEBALL		
7 p.m.	Rangers at Guardians	ESPN
7:05 p.m.	Tigers at Yankees	YES, 660 AM, 101.9 FM
7:07 p.m.	Mets at Blue Jays	SNY, 880 AM
9:30 p.m.	Giants at Diamondbacks	MLBN
MEN'S SOCCER: FIFA WORLD CUP		
1 p.m.	Round of 32: Brazil vs. Japan	Fox, Telemundo
4:30 p.m.	Round of 32: Germany vs. Paraguay	Fox, Telemundo
9 p.m.	Round of 32: Netherlands vs. Morocco	Fox, Telemundo
SOFTBALL		
7 p.m.	Athletes Unlimited: Blaze at Spark	ESPN2
TENNIS		
6 a.m.	ATP/WTA: Wimbledon, 1st Round	ESPN
GOLF		
9 a.m.	The Travelers Championship: Playoff	Golf

TENNIS

Getty Images
Aryna Sabalenka

Wimbledon women's singles champion

NAME	ODDS	NAME	ODDS
Aryna Sabalenka	+340	Serena Williams	75/1
Elena Rybakina	+600	Emma Navarro	75/1
Jessica Pegula	+850	Diana Shnaider	75/1
Iga Swiatek	+950	Alexandra Eala	75/1
Mirra Andreeva	11/1	Clara Tauson	100/1
Amanda Anisimova	15/1	Jasmine Paolini	100/1
Madison Keys	15/1	Ekaterina Alexandrova	100/1
Karolina Muchova	18/1	Liudmila Samsonova	100/1
Coco Gauff	19/1	Qinwen Zheng	100/1
Linda Noskova	20/1	Marie Bouzkova	100/1
Elina Svitolina	25/1	Jelena Ostapenko	100/1
Marta Kostyuk	27/1	Anna Kalinskaya	100/1
Donna Vekic	33/1	Elisabetta Cocciaretto	100/1
Naomi Osaka	35/1	Maja Chwalinska	100/1
Belinda Bencic	35/1	Francesca Jones	100/1
Iva Jovic	35/1	Tatjana Maria	125/1
Barbora Krejcikova	40/1	Sorana Cirstea	125/1

ODDS & ENDS

WORLD CUP

Monday

Brazil vs. Japan

3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Brazil	-145
Draw	+260
Japan	+440
TOTAL GOALS	**ODDS**
Over 2.5	+112
Under 2.5	-140

Germany vs. Paraguay

3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Germany	-320
Draw	+410
Paraguay	10/1
TOTAL GOALS	**ODDS**
Over 2.5	-142
Under 2.5	+116

Netherlands vs. Morocco

3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Netherlands	+125
Draw	+200
Morocco	+260
TOTAL GOALS	**ODDS**
Over 2.5	+122
Under 2.5	-150

Tuesday

Ivory Coast vs. Norway

3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Ivory Coast	+270
Draw	+240
Norway	+105
TOTAL GOALS	**ODDS**
Over 2.5	-128
Under 2.5	+104

France vs. Sweden

3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
France	-400
Draw	+500
Sweden	10/1
TOTAL GOALS	**ODDS**
Over 3.5	+136
Under 3.5	-168

Mexico vs. Ecuador

3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Mexico	+125
Draw	+190
Ecuador	+270
TOTAL GOALS	**ODDS**
Over 1.5	-192
Under 1.5	+154

Wednesday

United States vs. Bosnia-Herzegovina

3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
United States	-290
Draw	+410
Bosnia	+800
TOTAL GOALS	**ODDS**
Over 2.5	-120
Under 2.5	-102

BET SMART

Deep cuts at All England

Reuters

JACK'S BACK: Jack Draper, ranked as the World No. 4 last year before injuries sent him tumbling outside the top 100, appears healthy in the eyes of The Post's Michael Leboff and could surprise at Wimbledon, where he is 40/1 at DraftKings to win it all.

By MICHAEL LEBOFF

The French Open offered tennis fans a glimpse of what the sport would look like if Carlos Alcaraz and Jannik Sinner never picked up a racquet.

The Spaniard missed the entire tournament with a wrist injury, and Sinner joined him after he was upset in Round 2 by Juan Manuel Cerundolo. Sinner was -225 to win the tournament before that match, but he couldn't cope with the heat and was sent packing by the Argentinian.

In the end, we didn't get a shock winner; Alexander Zverev was the No. 2 seed, though the other semifinalists — Matteo Arnaldi, Flavio Cobolli and Jakub Mensik — were into the final four at a Grand Slam for the first time in their respective careers.

With Sinner's fitness under scrutiny and Alcaraz still sidelined, we should be in for another unpredictable fortnight of tennis at Wimbledon.

That could open the doors for a few sleepers to outrun their odds in England.

Jack Draper (40/1, DraftKings)

I'm often hesitant to back Draper at Grand Slams because he gets hurt far too often, but his performances at Eastbourne last week suggest he's operating at 100 percent.

At this time last year, Draper was ranked as the World No. 4, but injuries caused him to tumble all the way down to No. 160, which means he's unseeded in this field.

As fate would have it, the lefty from London was drawn against Taylor Fritz in Round 1. It's not ideal but also not a deal-breaker. Fritz has been underwhelming for most of this year, and Draper absolutely has the game to go toe-to-toe with the American.

He's quick, powerful and has the necessary craft and guile to succeed on the grass. It doesn't hurt that he basically was raised on these courts, either.

Draper has proved he can win big titles; he won the 2025 Indian Wells Masters, but he now needs to show he can handle the rigors of Grand Slam tennis. His coach, Andy Murray, can teach him a thing or two about that.

With Alcaraz out of the picture and Sinner looking vulnerable, Draper may never get a better opportunity to delight the crowd at Wimbledon.

Alexander Bublik (60/1, FanDuel)

One of the most polarizing players in tennis was a trendy pick last year to win Wimbledon and for good reason.

Gifted with a massive serve, Bublik was playing the best tennis of his career last summer. He went to the quarterfinals at Roland Garros, lifted a trophy on the grass at Halle, and then, as fate would have it, was unceremoniously upset in Round 1 at Wimbledon.

He responded by winning 12 matches (including two finals) in a row before losing to Sinner in the Round of 16 at the U.S. Open.

The point: Bublik is one of the most talented players in this field. And if he feels up to it, he can dominate on the grass thanks to his massive serve.

He's just as likely to be bounced in Round 1 as he is to make a deep run, but the upside is impossible to ignore at this price.

Arthur Fils (130/1, DraftKings)

A month ago, Fils was 27/1 to win the French Open. He's now five times that price at Wimbledon.

While the change in surface does change things, I don't see why Fils' game wouldn't translate well to the grass. He's got a mighty serve, and he's lightning quick on his feet, which gives him a 1-2 combo that few players in this field can compete with.

And although most people peg Roland Garros as Fils' best chance to win a Grand Slam, the best showing in his short career came at Wimbledon, when he made it to the Round of 16 last year.

CLOSE ONE: Amed Rosario slides home with the fourth and final Yankee run Sunday at Fenway Park. The safe call was challenged and upheld. Imagn Images

Cabrera's back, but his error proves costly

By GREG JOYCE

BOSTON — For the first time since a gruesome ankle injury last May, Oswaldo Cabrera was back in a big league lineup Sunday night.

It did not go as well as he had hoped, though, with a crucial fielding error giving way to a pair of runs early on the way to the Yankees' crushing 5-4, 10-inning loss to the Red Sox at Fenway Park.

Cabrera went 0-for-3 while laying down a sacrifice bunt that keyed the Yankees' two-run top of the 10th.

But his fielding error at third base loomed large in the fourth inning. With a runner on first and one out in a scoreless game, Carlos Rodón got Willson Contreras to hit a hard grounder to third. Cabrera bobbled it and by the time he threw over to first, it was too late.

One out later, the Yankees should have been out of the inning, but instead Caleb Durbin came up next and hit a two-run single in what became a 37-pitch inning for Rodón, a big reason why he only lasted five innings.

The Yankees defense had let them down Thursday night, committing four errors, and then came back to bite them again Sunday.

"When we're not scoring, we just didn't play clean enough here this weekend," manager Aaron Boone said.

Cabrera was making his season debut after being called up from Triple-A on Wednesday as an injury replacement for Ryan McMahon. It was his first major league game since fracturing his left ankle and sustaining ligament damage on an awkward slide home in a brutal scene in Seattle.

"He's worked incredibly hard to overcome a really tough injury," Boone said before the game. "He's done it with grace and class and hard work, all while being Oswaldo, which is one of those people that makes the room better when he's around."

YANKEES NOTES

➤ Longtime lefty killer **Amed Rosario** was in the lineup Sunday against righty Sonny Gray — breaking up his no-hitter in the eighth inning — putting a spotlight on his platoon splits that are the reverse of what he has done for his career.

Entering Sunday, the right-handed-hitting Rosario was batting .280 with an .842 OPS in 53 plate appearances against righties and .218 with a .665 OPS in 86 plate appearances against lefties. For his career, he was batting .263 with a .671 OPS against righties and .293 with a .791 OPS against lefties.

➤ **Trent Grisham** (right hamstring strain) is likely to start a rehab assignment Tuesday.

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Yonkers Entries Post time: 6:45 p.m.

FIRST: 1 Mile $20,000 30000CLM; PACE

1	Mind Hunter	(SZeron)	4-2-5	5-2
2	SouthbeachHnver	(PLchnce)	8-1-2	20-1
3	Rolling With Sam	(CKelly)	3-5-6	9-2
4	TopvilleSomebeach	(YGngrs)	1-2-1	9-5
5	Caviart Sargent	(JMarohn)	4-5-5	15-1
6	Stellar Yankee	(JStratton)	1-5-3	9-2
7	Donttellmenow	(ASiegelman)	8-2-4	20-1
8	Ever Hoping A	(MKakaley)	3-2-2	20-1

SECOND: 1 Mile $20,000 NY EX 2 FP; PACE

1	Prop Bet	(JStratton)	4-X-X	4-1
2	Pleasant Dreams	(TButer)	5-4-X	4-1
3	HuntsvillesHoney	(MKakaley)	1-X-X	5-2
4	Lilly Rocks	(JBartlett)	3-X-X	7-2
5	Maxina	(CKelly)	2-X-X	5-1
6	Flirtsville	(YGingras)	5-5-X	5-1

THIRD: 1 Mile $20,000 NY EX 2 FP; PACE

1	Courtly Lady	(JStratton)	6-X-X	4-1
2	Cheese	(JBartlett)	3-X-X	5-2
3	Living Color	(MKakaley)	5-4-X	5-1
4	Azideal As It Gets	(BBoyd)	3-3-X	2-1
5	Spider Claire	(YGingras)	1-3-X	6-1
6	Cowboysncaviar	(JMarohn)	4-3-X	8-1

FOURTH: 1 Mile $20,000 NY EX 2 FP; PACE

1	Enchante	(JBartlett)	3-3-X	5-2
2	Clear Choice	(MKakaley)	1-X-X	3-1
3	TheWomnWthY	(DWhttemre)	1-1-X	7-2
4	Shadow Of A Girl	(CKelly)	2-5-X	4-1
5	Our Candy Girl	(CStratton)	6-X-X	5-1
6	Mojarra's Jeannie	(BBoyd)	4-X-X	6-1

FIFTH: 1 Mile $78,700 NYSS 2FP; PACE

1	Cowboy Candy	(AMcCarthy)	2-2-X	4-1
2	Too Pink To Pass	(LTritton)	1-X-X	5-1
3	Annie O	(JBartlett)	2-2-X	5-1
4	Odds On NumeroUno	(CKelly)	4-X-X	8-1
5	Holly's Choice	(MKakaley)	1-1-X	3-1
6	Huntrix	(SZeron)	1-X-X	6-1
7	Country Money	(JStratton)	2-5-X	10-1
8	Win Me Over	(YGingras)	1-2-X	6-1

SIXTH: 1 Mile $77,300 NYSS 2FP; PACE

1	Sinful Cindy Too	(JStratton)	2-2-X	5-2
1	A Pin Hunter	(CStratton)	2-X-X	5-2
2	HurrikaneSchmazy	(YGingrs)	1-2-X	3-1
3	Fendilicious	(JBartlett)	3-4-X	7-2
4	Where Is The Love	(SZeron)	3-X-X	9-2
5	Wine DownWensday	(TButer)	1-1-X	4-1
6	Seafood Delight	(MKakaley)	1-X-X	6-1

SEVENTH: 1 Mile $24,000 50000CLM; PACE

1	BrutallyhandsomeA	(JStrttn)	4-5-1	4-1
2	Bet On Big Joe	(BBoyd)	7-1-3	7-2
3	Thirsty Thursday	(TButer)	2-7-4	3-1
4	Music Hall	(JMarohn)	6-3-6	12-1
5	Soho Santorini A	(YGingras)	3-3-5	6-1
6	Keayang Taco A	(MKakaley)	1-2-2	9-2
7	Invisible N	(CKelly)	2-6-4	10-1
8	Bettor By Seaside	(SZeron)	1-1-7	8-1

EIGHTH: 1 Mile $43,000 INVITATION; PACE

1	Joemikiyoursofine	(CKelly)	1-4-3	10-1
2	MyUltimteByrnA	(ASegelmn)	2-1-6	20-1
3	Soho Firestone A	(JStratton)	4-2-3	6-1
4	Mossdale Ben N	(JMarohn)	2-1-2	9-5
5	Donegal Luther N	(YGingras)	6-8-4	7-2
6	CaptinhammerheadA	(SZern)	3-3-1	3-1
7	Celtic Spirit N	(TButer)	1-7-2	12-1
8	Verdun	(PLachance)	2-1-1	8-1

NINTH: 1 Mile $22,000 40000CLM; PACE

1	Rockin Jukebox	(TButer)	3-2-1	5-2
2	Bondi Shake N	(ASiegelman)	4-2-4	20-1
3	Peace Out Posse	(JStratton)	6-1-6	4-1
4	Himself N	(YGingras)	6-4-7	3-1
5	Quote Me Not N	(SZeron)	4-6-3	8-1
6	OurmatemenkoN	(MKakaley)	5-8-1	5-1
7	Yorokobi N	(JMarohn)	2-4-6	15-1
8	Hammering Hank	(CKelly)	2-6-3	6-1

TENTH: 1 Mile $15,000 15000CLM; PACE

1	Sailboat Hanover	(TButer)	2-2-6	8-5
2	Black Hawk Joe A	(SZeron)	4-3-5	6-1
3	Cellmate	(YGingras)	2-7-7	8-1
4	Smooth Lou	(JMarohn)	5-4-4	5-1
5	Alabamajamma	(CKelly)	2-4-3	3-1
6	Crunch Hanover	(MKakaley)	4-4-7	20-1
7	FrancoNandorN	(ASiegelmn)	7-8-4	20-1
8	Gothic Rock	(JStratton)	2-1-2	8-1

Aqueduct Results for Sunday

FIRST-1 mile; $45,000; clm($20,000); 4up (f&m)

3	Tznw Mm (Crmch)	6.54	3.66	2.92
2	Tour Jete (Rodriguez)		2.82	2.98
8	Baby Sassicaia (Harkie)			4.72

Scr: Hauntress, Top of the Table, Miss Lao, That's Funny, Linarite, Pistol Liz Ablazen

● $1 Exacta (3-2) $7.38 ● $0.1 Superfecta (3-2-8-7) $7.28 ● $0.5 Trifecta (3-2-8) $20.65 ● $1 Exacta (3-2) $7.38 ● $0.1 Show (3-2-8-7) $7.28 ● $0.5 Trifecta (3-2-8) $20.65

SECOND-1 mile; $80,000; mdn spl wt; 3up (f&m)

4	Clos th Lop (Frnc)	2.96	2.24	2.10
1	Into the Unknown (Ellott)		2.88	2.20
6	Gotta Gun Runner (Rodriguez)			3.04

Scr: Bounding Along

● $1 Daily Double (3-4) $5.59 ● $1 Exacta (4-1) $3.62 ● $1 Quinella (1-4) $2.61 ● $0.1 Superfecta (4-1-6-3) $3.62 ● $0.5 Trifecta (4-1-6) $4.71 ● $1 Daily Double (3-4) $5.59 ● $1 Exacta (4-1) $3.62 ● $1 Quinella (1-4) $2.61 ● $0.1 Show (4-1-6-3) $3.62 ● $0.5 Trifecta (4-1-6) $4.71

THIRD-6 fur; $92,000; alc opt cl($110,000); 4up

7	El Grnde O (Frnco)	16.70	7.84	4.62
2	Over and Ollie (Davis)		10.46	5.24
6	Radio Red (Carmouche)			3.86

Scr: Light Man

● $1 Pick 3 (3-4-7) $53.93 ● $1 Daily Double (4-7) $12.98 ● $1 Exacta (7-2) $62.75 ● $0.1 Superfecta (7-2-6-4) $148.35 ● $0.5 Trifecta (7-2-6) $142.44 ● $1 Pick 3 (3-4-7) $53.93 ● $1 Daily Double (4-7) $12.98 ● $1 Exacta (7-2) $62.75 ● $0.1 Show (7-2-6-4) $148.35 ● $0.5 Trifecta (7-2-6) $142.44

FOURTH-1 1/16 mile; $82,000; alc; 3up (f&m)

3	Strshp Pgss (Cstlln)	4.88	3.22	2.48
5	Considerate City (Davis)		3.50	2.74
2	She Takes Cash (Zayas)			4.86

Scr: Full Pour, Timia, Lonchura

● $1 Pick 3 (4-7-3) $32.72 ● $1 Daily Double (7-3) $22.78 ● $1 Exacta (3-5) $7.91 ● $1 Quinella (3-5) $5.34 ● $0.1 Superfecta (3-5-2-6) $13.18 ● $0.5 Trifecta (3-5-2) $24.13 ● $1 Pick 3 (4-7-3) $32.72 ● $1 Daily Double (7-3) $22.78 ● $1 Exacta (3-5) $7.91 ● $1 Quinella (3-5) $5.34 ● $0.1 Show (3-5-2-6) $13.18 ● $0.5 Trifecta (3-5-2) $24.13

FIFTH-6 fur; $82,000; alc; 3up (f&m)

8	Bstn's Phnst (Cstlln)	6.40	4.42	3.12
9	Dancngwthdestny (Dvs)		11.12	7.18
11	Maria Callas (Franco)			3.92

Scr: Oklahoma Smoke, Ishkabibble, Sabby Sunset, Sunshine Lily

● $1 Pick 3 (7-3-8) $64.50 ● $0.5 Pick 4 (4-7-3-8) $41.30 ● $0.5 Pick 5 (3-4-7-3-8) $218.80 ● $1 Daily Double (3-8) $8.06 ● $1 Exacta (8-9) $28.70 ● $0.1 Superfecta (8-9-11-2) $228.55 ● $0.5 Trifecta (8-9-11) $125.62 ● $1 Pick 3 (7-3-8) $64.50 ● $0.5 Pick 4 (4-7-3-8) $41.30 ● $0.5 Pick 5 (3-4-7-3-8) $218.80 ● $1 Daily Double (3-8) $8.06 ● $1 Exacta (8-9) $28.70 ● $0.1 Show (8-9-11-2) $228.55 ● $0.5 Trifecta (8-9-11) $125.62

SIXTH-1 mile 1 fur; $125,000; st alc($55,000); 3up

1	Grg Mgc (Rdrguz)	6.46	4.02	3.50
2	Ez Roll (Davis)		3.10	2.80
4	Willintoriskitall (Franco)			3.78

Scr: Grand Commander

● $1 Consolation Pick 3 (3-8-3) $7.38 ● $1 Pick 3 (3-8-1) $21.61 ● $1 Daily Double (8-1) $8.97 ● $1 Exacta (1-2) $7.65 ● $0.1 Superfecta (1-2-4-5) $15.10 ● $0.5 Trifecta (1-2-4) $11.55 ● $1 Consolation Double (8-3) $3.18 ● $1 Pick 3 (3-8-1) $21.61 ● $1 Daily Double (8-1) $8.97 ● $1 Exacta (1-2) $7.65 ● $1 Consolidation Pick-3 (3-8-3) $7.38 ● $0.1 Show (1-2-4-5) $15.10 ● $0.5 Trifecta (1-2-4) $11.55 ● $1 Consolation Double (8-3) $3.18

SEVENTH-1 1/16 mile; $48,000; mdn clm($50,000); 3up

2	Free Refills (Ellott)	46.82	14.08	4.86
3	Beau Cheval (Castellno)		9.46	4.02
1	Rossbeigh (Franco)			2.36

Scr: Big Frosty, D C Boy's

● $1 Consolation Pick 3 (8-1-7) $7.40 ● $1 Consolation Pick 3 (8-3-2) $61.43 ● $1 Consolation Pick 3 (8-3-7) $2.75 ● $1 Pick 3 (8-1-2) $196.62 ● $0.5 Pick 5 (7-3-8-1-2) $1858.77 ● $1 Daily Double (1-2) $58.10 ● $1 Exacta (2-3) $122.09 ● $0.1 Superfecta (2-3-1-10) $127.19 ● $0.5 Trifecta (2-3-1) $95.80 ● $1 Consolation Double (1-7) $3.12 ● $1 Pick 3 (8-1-2) $196.62 ● $0.5 Pick 5 (7-3-8-1-2) $1858.77 ● $1 Daily Double (1-2) $58.10 ● $1 Exacta (2-3) $122.09 ● $1 Consolidation Pick-3 (8-1-7) $7.40 ● $1 Consolidation Pick-3 (8-3-2) $61.43 ● $1 Consolidation Pick-3 (8-3-7) $2.75 ● $0.1 Show (2-3-1-10) $127.19 ● $0.5 Trifecta (2-3-1) $95.80 ● $1 Consolation Double (1-7) $3.12

EIGHTH-6 fur; $150,000; stk; 3up (f&m)

6	Hghwy Hrmny (Zys)	9.42	4.40	3.90
8	Sweet Brown Sugr (Dvs)		3.24	2.50
1	Soloshot (Rodriguez)			3.94

Scr: Bam's Bliss Kiss, Silsbee, Blossoming Erudite

● $1 Consolation Pick 3 (1-7-6) $16.94 ● $1 Grand Slam (8/9/11-1/2/4-1/2/3-6) $11.56 ● $1 Pick 3 (1-2-6) $347.24 ● $1 Daily Double (2-6) $165.42 ● $1 Exacta (6-8) $15.50 ● $0.1 Superfecta (6-8-1-4) $16.98 ● $0.5 Trifecta (6-8-1) $24.17 ● $1 Pick 3 (1-2-6) $347.24 ● $1 Daily Double (2-6) $165.42 ● $1 Exacta (6-8) $15.50 ● $1 Consolidation Pick-3 (1-7-6) $16.94 ● $0.1 Show (6-8-1-4) $16.98 ● $0.5 Trifecta (6-8-1) $24.17 ● $1 Place Pick 9 (8/9/11-1/2/4-1/2/3-6) $11.56

NINTH-1 mile 1 fur; $100,000; st alc($16,000); 3up

4	Assm Nthng (Rdrgz)	18.42	9.70	7.92
6	Tizmarkus (Lezcano)		4.74	4.10
8	Sara's Shaman (Gonzalez)			13.08

Scr: Missouri River

● $1 Pick 6 (3-8-1-2-6-4) $316.19 ● $1 Pick 6 (3-8-1-2-6-4) $81705.38 ● $1 Pick 3 (2-6-4) $786.15 ● $0.5 Pick 4 (1-2-6-4) $1289.97 ● $0.5 Pick 5 ((X-COUNTRY P5) 6-6-2-6-4) $2457.47 ● $0.5 Pick 5 (8-1-2-6-4) $8366.10 ● $1 Daily Double (6-4) $41.43 ● $1 Exacta (4-6) $37.41 ● $0.1 Superfecta (4-6-8-5) $233.88 ● $0.5 Trifecta (4-6-8) $281.10 ● $1 Pick 3 (2-6-4) $786.15 ● $0.5 Pick 4 (1-2-6-4) $1289.97 ● $0.5 Pick 5 ((X-COUNTRY P5) 6-6-2-6-4) $2457.47 ● $0.5 Pick 5 (8-1-2-6-4) $8366.10 ● $1 Pick 6 (3-8-1-2-6-4) $316.19 ● $1 Pick 6 (3-8-1-2-6-4) $81705.38 ● $1 Daily Double (6-4) $41.43 ● $1 Exacta (4-6) $37.41 ● $0.1 Show (4-6-8-5) $233.88 ● $0.5 Trifecta (4-6-8) $281.10

WNBA

East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	12	7	.632	—
Liberty	12	8	.600	½
Indiana	11	8	.579	1
Washington	9	9	.500	2½
Toronto	9	10	.474	3
Chicago	6	13	.316	6
Connecticut	4	15	.211	8

West	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	15	4	.789	—
Las Vegas	14	5	.737	1
Golden State	13	7	.650	2½
Dallas	11	8	.579	4
Los Angeles	8	10	.444	6½
Portland	8	12	.400	7½
Phoenix	7	13	.350	8½
Seattle	5	15	.250	10½

Sunday

Golden State 76, **Liberty** 67
Minnesota 85, Dallas 77
Las Vegas 107, Chicago 99
Washington 124, Portland 123, 4OT

Monday

No games scheduled.

Tuesday

Las Vegas at **Liberty**, 7pm (2026 Commissioner's Cup Final)

Wednesday

No games scheduled.

Valkyries 76, Liberty 67

Liberty

	Min	FG	FT	O-Rb	A	PF	Pts
Fiebich	31:14	3-4	0-0	0-0	1	2	6
Stewart	26:18	4-11	6-6	0-4	0	3	15
Jones	26:56	5-8	8-10	0-7	2	4	21
Astier	22:45	2-6	0-0	0-0	4	4	5
Ionescu	25:55	3-10	1-1	0-3	2	1	9
Johannes	17:41	1-5	0-0	0-1	3	2	3
Gardner	15:29	2-6	0-0	3-5	1	1	4
Laney-Hamilton	12:41	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0
Xu	9:48	1-1	1-2	0-0	0	0	4
Carrera	7:34	0-0	0-2	1-4	0	2	0
Allen	3:39	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200:00	21-52	16-21	4-24	14	21	67

Percentages: FG .404, FT .762. **3-point goals:** 9-25, .360 (Jones 3-6, Ionescu 2-6, Xu 1-1, Astier 1-2, Stewart 1-3, Johannes 1-4, Allen 0-1, Fiebich 0-1, Gardner 0-1). **Team rebounds:** 11. **Team turnovers:** 1. **Blocked shots:** 2 (Allen, Johannes). **Turnovers:** 11 (Jones 3, Stewart 3, Johannes 2, Carrera, Ionescu, Laney-Hamilton). **Steals:** 5 (Astier, Carrera, Fiebich, Johannes, Stewart). **Technicals:** None.

Golden State

	Min	FG	FT	O-Rb	A	PF	Pts
Thornton	26:07	4-7	1-1	0-4	0	4	11
Williams	20:12	2-9	2-5	0-2	1	0	7
Stokes	22:43	0-1	1-2	1-4	1	3	1
Burton	27:27	3-7	1-1	1-6	8	2	8
Zandalasini	17:29	3-5	3-3	0-2	1	1	10
Charles	22:31	6-12	1-2	1-2	1	1	13
Hayes	17:55	3-8	0-0	1-1	2	3	8
Amihere	15:02	0-2	0-0	2-5	3	4	0
Salaun	14:15	4-8	2-2	1-4	1	1	10
Chen	12:33	3-5	2-2	0-0	2	5	8
Fingall	1:53	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Jocyte	1:53	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200:00	28-65	13-18	7-30	20	24	76

Percentages: FG .431, FT .722. **3-point goals:** 7-28, .250 (Hayes 2-5, Thornton 2-5, Burton 1-1, Zandalasini 1-3, Williams 1-4, Jocyte 0-1, Stokes 0-1, Charles 0-4, Salaun 0-4). **Team rebounds:** 13. **Team turnovers:** None. **Blocked shots:** 2 (Stokes 2). **Turnovers:** 8 (Amihere 2, Thornton 2, Williams 2, Zandalasini 2). **Steals:** 5 (Hayes 2, Stokes 2, Zandalasini). **Technicals:** None.

Liberty	15	14	19	19—	67
Golden State	20	21	23	12—	76

A: 18,064 (18,064).

Auto Racing

NASCAR Cup Series Toyota / Save Mart 350
At Sonoma Raceway; Sonoma, Calif.; Lap length: 1.99 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (6) Shane Van Gisbergen, Chevrolet, 110 laps, 63 points.
2. (7) Chase Briscoe, Toyota, 110, 37.
3. (1) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, 110, 54.
4. (3) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 110, 35.
5. (14) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 110, 50.
6. (16) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 110, 32.
7. (17) Connor Zilisch, Chevrolet, 110, 33.
8. (19) Ryan Preece, Ford, 110, 35.
9. (4) Michael McDowell, Chevrolet, 110, 36.
10. (22) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 110, 32.
11. (2) Carson Hocevar, Chevrolet, 110, 33.
12. (13) William Byron, Chevrolet, 110, 25.
13. (23) Austin Cindric, Ford, 110, 31.
14. (5) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 110, 29.
15. (35) Brad Keselowski, Toyota, 110, 22.
16. (8) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 110, 29.
17. (18) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 110, 20.
18. (24) Zane Smith, Ford, 110, 24.
19. (15) Chris Buescher, Ford, 110, 18.
20. (27) Cole Custer, Chevrolet, 110, 17.
21. (33) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chevrolet, 110, 16.
22. (26) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, 110, 15.
23. (32) Erik Jones, Toyota, 110, 17.
24. (10) Joey Logano, Ford, 110, 13.
25. (20) John H. Nemechek, Toyota, 110, 12.
26. (9) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 110, 11.
27. (30) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 110, 10.
28. (28) Josh Berry, Ford, 110, 9.
29. (29) Todd Gilliland, Ford, 110, 8.
30. (25) Riley Herbst, Toyota, 110, 8.
31. (21) Daniel Suárez, Chevrolet, 110, 6.
32. (34) Noah Gragson, Ford, 110, 5.
33. (36) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, 109, 4.
34. (12) Austin Hill, Chevrolet, 109, 0.
35. (31) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 109, 2.
36. (11) Tyler Reddick, Toyota, 106, 1.

Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 83.192 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 37 minutes, 53 seconds.
Margin of Victory: .357 seconds.
Caution Flags: 3 for 8 laps.
Lead Changes: 8 among 6 drivers.

F1 Austrian Grand Prix
At Red Bull Ring; Spielberg, Austria.; Lap length: 4.00 kilometers
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (1) George Russell, Great Britain, Mercedes, 71 laps, 1:26:37.979, 25 pts.
2. (5) Max Verstappen, Netherlands, Red Bull Racing, 71, +1.611 seconds, 18.
3. (4) Andrea Kimi Antonelli, Italy, Mercedes, 71, +1.986, 15.
4. (7) Oscar Piastri, Australia, McLaren, 71, +21.809, 12.
5. (3) Lewis Hamilton, Great Britain, Ferrari, 71, +26.393, 10.
6. (8) Isack Hadjar, France, Red Bull Racing, 71, +29.399, 8.
7. (6) Lando Norris, Great Britain, McLaren, 71, +31.505, 6.
8. (2) Charles Leclerc, Monaco, Ferrari, 71, +45.659, 4.
9. (9) Liam Lawson, New Zealand, Racing Bulls, 70, 1L, 2.
10. (10) Arvid Lindblad, Great Britain, Racing Bulls, 70, 1L, 1.
11. (12) Gabriel Bortoleto, Brazil, Audi F1 Team, 70, 1L.
12. (14) Nico Hulkenberg, Germany, Audi F1 Team, 70, 1L.
13. (11) Pierre Gasly, France, Alpine, 70, 1L.
14. (13) Oliver Bearman, England, Haas, 70, 1L.
15. (16) Franco Colapinto, Argentina, Alpine, 70, 1L.
16. (15) Esteban Ocon, France, Haas, 69, 2L.
17. (18) Alexander Albon, Thailand, Williams, 69, 2L.
18. (21) Fernando Alonso, Spain, Aston Martin, 68, 3L.
19. (22) Lance Stroll, Canada, Aston Martin, did not finish, 45.
20. (17) Carlos Sainz Jr., Spain, Williams, did not finish, 23.
21. (19) Sergio Perez, Mexico, Cadillac, did not finish, 4.
22. (20) Valtteri Bottas, Finland, Cadillac, did not finish, 2.

Driver Standings

1. Andrea Kimi Antonelli, Italy, Mercedes, 171 points.
2. George Russell, Great Britain, Mercedes, 131.
3. Lewis Hamilton, Great Britain, Ferrari, 125.
4. Oscar Piastri, Australia, McLaren, 80.
5. Lando Norris, Great Britain, McLaren, 79.
6. Charles Leclerc, Monaco, Ferrari, 79.
7. Max Verstappen, Netherlands, Red Bull Racing, 73.
8. Isack Hadjar, France, Red Bull Racing, 42.
9. Pierre Gasly, France, Alpine, 41.
10. Liam Lawson, New Zealand, Racing Bulls, 30.

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AGE 44 LOVE: Serena Williams' first Wimbledon match in several years is set for Tuesday against Maya Joint, a 20-year-old Australian less than half the age of her opponent. Getty Images

GOING FOR IT

Serena says she expects nerves in return to singles play at Wimbledon

By JAKE NISSE

Serena Williams "wasn't sure" about playing singles at Wimbledon — and had to convince herself to accept a wild card for the tournament.

The tennis legend, who returned to the sport earlier this month in doubles action, had previously decided to team up with her sister Venus in London.

But the decision to accept what was the tournament's last singles wild card, according to the Associated Press, was more difficult.

"I thought I should really take this opportunity. Who knows if I'll ever make it here again. This could be it," the 44-year-old told reporters Sunday.

"I was like, 'What's wrong with me, Serena? What are you thinking? Are you nuts? Like you really should do this,'" she continued. "People live to be an athlete. I have this great opportunity to showcase what I do, what I do best, I suppose. Yeah, I think ultimately I was like, 'That's pretty cool, so I should do it.'"

Williams, a 23-time Grand Slam winner in singles, added that she made her decision one day before the deadline last week, and is "still not even sure" about her decision to return to singles.

She teamed up with 19-year-old Victoria Mboko in doubles at the Queen's Club tournament.

Williams later played with Karolina Muchova at the Berlin Open.

The Williams sisters last won a Wimbledon title in 2016 and will face Camila Osorio and Solana Sierra in the first round this year.

Meanwhile, Serena will face 20-year-old Australian Maya Joint on Tuesday.

"Yeah, actually I know her. I've watched some of her videos. I'm sure she knows my game," Williams said.

She famously announced she was "evolving" away from tennis in 2022, without using the word retirement. She hadn't played since, returning this year following months of speculation about a potential comeback.

"I expect to be nervous," she said Sunday. "I was also nervous every single match I ever played in my life. I think that showed the passion and the love and the care, that I cared about my job, whether it was the first round or the second round or the finals. I've always had some nerves. But then I just dust 'em off, then I move on."

Also Sunday, Williams took aim at tennis' anti-doping system, calling it "unreasonable."

Williams returned to the testing pool before she could announce her comeback to professional tennis and was asked Sunday about her experiences complying with the rules.

"It's grueling. They changed the rules now. I didn't know some of the rules. So apparently if you miss a test outside of your window, it still counts as missed. I'm like, I guess I can't go pick up my kids," said the mother of two. "It's unprofessional. I hate it."

The anti-doping protocol was in the spotlight last week when Marketa Vondrousova, the 2023 Wimbledon champion, was suspended for four years for refusing an anti-doping test, becoming the latest high-profile player sanctioned.

Players are required by the International Tennis Integrity Agency to provide their daily "whereabouts" for no-notice testing.

"That was a big reason why I didn't want to come back either," she said, "because it's just so hard." — *With AP*

Clarkson's Knicks return still possible

By STEFAN BONDY

Don't rule out a Jordan Clarkson reunion.

Despite James Dolan's mandate to stay under the second apron, Clarkson's re-signing is "still a possibility," a source told The Post.

JORDAN CLARKSON

Clarkson, 34, will become an unrestricted free agent Tuesday after one eventful season with the Knicks, which ended with a championship but included erratic playing time.

Clarkson was pulled from the rotation midseason but impressed the Knicks with his professionalism, eventually earning his way back into a reserve role. Clarkson's defense, in particular, kept him on the floor — a somewhat surprising development considering his longstanding reputation as a high-volume shooter and scorer.

But Clarkson committed himself to defense and contributed to the playoff run, eclipsing Mo Diawara in the rotation. He averaged 4.8 points in 10.8 minutes during the postseason, embracing the lesser role.

"I'm glad to be back in this and part of this and back contending, be in the playoffs and know that we're playing for something," Clarkson said early last season. "That changes a player's mindset. It's just a bunch of focus that goes into it and I'm locked in."

Still, it's probably not a lock Clarkson returns. The Knicks have a lot of moving parts ahead of free agency. Dolan has declared he won't spend into the second apron, which means they only have roughly $14 million left to acquire four players. Assuming Dolan doesn't change his stance, Mitchell Robinson, as The Post reported, is a long shot to return. He's likely to command more money in unrestricted free agency.

Landry Shamet is a question mark after his breakthrough 2025-26 campaign. He's due for a raise. It's hard to predict his future.

Clarkson, meanwhile, is probably a cheaper option after playing last season on a minimum contract. As a fashion enthusiast, Clarkson (who walked the runway Friday at Paris Fashion Week) is said to enjoy New York. He's also earned over $190 million in his career — way more than Robinson or Shamet.

Does that mean he'll come back on a team-friendly deal? Maybe. Either way, Clarkson's return can't be ruled out.

Nets decline option on forward Williams

By BRIAN LEWIS

The Nets declined their $6.25 million team option for forward Ziaire Williams on Sunday, sources told The Post.

While Brooklyn could still end up re-signing Williams, he'll be an unrestricted free agent after spending the past two seasons with the Nets and is coming off a career year. Since his cap hold is actually higher than what his salary was, the Nets wouldn't save any space by declining his team option unless they renounce his rights.

Williams averaged a career-high 10.2 points and 1.4 steals in 22.9 minutes last season, spread over 56 games (13 starts). He missed the last five games with a left foot injury.

The Nets project to have $40 million in cap space, according to Yossi Gozlan of Third Apron, before their trade for Julius Randle becomes official. It could be less if they decline center Day'Ron Sharpe's team option and re-sign him.

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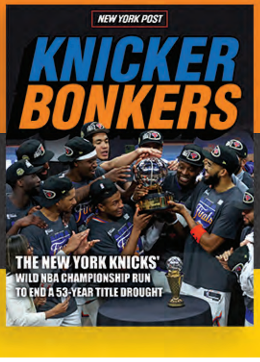
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Isles have no room for big splash

Ethan Sears

SO that was an anticlimactic week for the Islanders.

While the rest of the league whirred with activity — Brady Tkachuk, Jordan Kyrou, William Eklund, Simon Nemec, Mason McTavish, JJ Peterka, Pavel Dorofeyev all moving, with Dylan Larkin, Zach Werenski, Jason Robertson and Kirill Marchenko seemingly up next — the Islanders went quietly about their business.

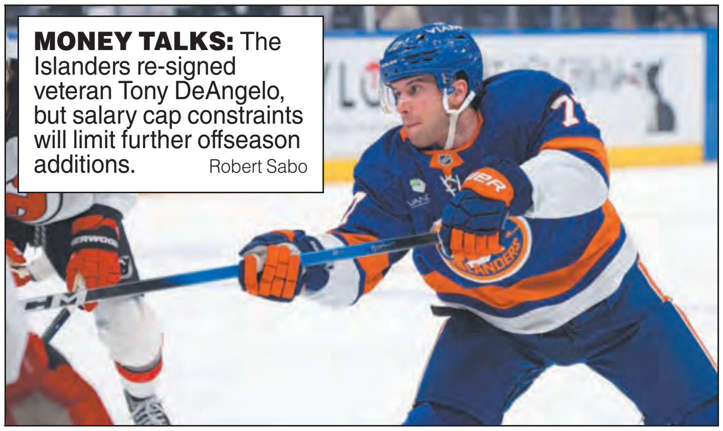
They re-signed Tony DeAngelo, maintained a dialogue with Anders Lee and made their draft picks as scheduled, with defenseman Malte Gustafsson the headliner at 13th overall before Lincoln Kuehne, Vladimir Dravecky, Artyom Matyuk and Robert Cowan were added to their stable of prospects Saturday.

The number to get DeAngelo back, $4.5 million, leaves the Islanders with about $6 million in space, depending on whether you count players like Victor Eklund and Isaiah George. Mathieu Darche needs to find a backup goaltender in free agency as a safety net for Semyon Varlamov. Though he sounded optimistic about the 38-year-old returning from a double knee replacement to back up Ilya Sorokin, Darche also must make decisions on restricted free agents Max Shabanov and Marc Gatcomb, having already told Adam Boqvist the Islanders won't qualify him.

As for significantly improving the roster? It's looking more and more like Darche will either need to pull a rabbit out of his hat or kick that can down the road and assume improvements will come from within. Most likely the latter.

"We've mentioned before, I don't expect any significant, significant changes," Darche said Saturday. "There's not gonna be four players out and four players in, because the reality, I've mentioned since last year, I think for two years we had a lot of guys signed. Even the trades we made last year, we didn't add any contracts."

Not that he hasn't tried. Darche said Friday night he's "had my phone attached to my ear," but various factors have made it impossible to get a deal done so far.



MONEY TALKS: The Islanders re-signed veteran Tony DeAngelo, but salary cap constraints will limit further offseason additions. Robert Sabo

The free agent class features some names who could help the Islanders further down the depth chart, including winger Mason Marchment, but there are no true game-changers hitting the market July 1, and Darche himself has indicated he's not enthusiastic about what's available.

"You don't want to make a decision that you love for the first year and then the following years you don't like," Darche said. "So that's why you have to be careful."

Trading high-end prospects like Cal Ritchie, Victor Eklund, Kashawn Aitcheson and Cole Eiserman has been a red line for Darche, too. He doesn't want to rush a build that, due to cap obligations, is going to take time no matter what. You wonder whether a player like Robertson — who fits almost exactly what the Islanders have needed for years — would be worth crossing that line, but at least as of now, there's zero indication the Islanders are seriously involved there.

That would leave a hockey trade as the remaining path to shake things up. No one has to be reminded that those are rare under any circumstances, which is why it feels a little bit like the offseason is dead-ending toward a scenario where not much changes about a roster that fell short last year.

The Islanders would, not unfairly, argue that full seasons of Kyle Palmieri and Alexander Romanov constitute a boost, as does the growth assumed for Cal Ritchie and Matthew Schaefer in their second NHL seasons. Eklund should compete for a spot in camp. Brayden Schenn will have more time to acclimate. That's enough to compete for the playoffs while Darche bides his time and waits for the veteran core to turn over and the prospects to develop, or so the line of thought goes.

It's different from the old Lou Lamoriello standard of belief in the core — there has been and will be change under Darche. The contracts he inherited are still largely dictating his freedom to operate, or lack thereof.

Still, some of the players on the trade market this summer are guys the Islanders will only get one crack at. The fanbase, having been asked for patience by Lamoriello for years, isn't really in the mood to be asked again. Everyone will respond to wins, but if those don't come, even the best-laid plan will be a hard sell.

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♋ CANCER
(June 22-July 23)
A full moon in your opposite sign warns you must not try to force an issue that those you live, work and do business with clearly have doubts about. They may be too timid for your tastes, but their vote counts as much as yours.

♌ LEO
(July 24-Aug. 23)
Life may seem a bit boring at the moment, but with Jupiter about to move into your sign, it won't be long before you are flying high again. Remember, it's what you choose to do that counts, not what other people say you should do.

♍ VIRGO
(Aug. 24-Sept. 23)
You may feel confident today, but you must be careful what you say and do. A full moon in the most dynamic area of your chart could lead you to overestimating your strength and taking on someone you're not ever going to beat.

♎ LIBRA
(Sept. 24-Oct. 23)
Some people can't help but make a drama out of a crisis, and one such individual will get on your nerves today. If you can, go some place where you can't hear them. If that's not possible, let them know how stupid they sound.

♏ SCORPIO
(Oct. 24-Nov. 22)
Life may be a lot of fun at the moment, but the full moon warns you cannot afford to take risks, especially while on the move or interacting with people you don't know much about. You may not be as invincible as you feel.

♐ SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)
By all means, put on a show today, but make sure you are aware at all times how much that show is going to cost you. Others will gladly ride on your financial coattails if they get the chance — and they won't be paying you back.

♑ CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)
A full moon in your sign warns you could get a bit emotional over the next 24 hours. One of your problems is that you tend to hold in your feelings for so long that when they do eventually come to the surface, the effect can be explosive.

♒ AQUARIUS
(Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Don't worry if you find yourself in the dark with no clue about what is going on today. This is one of those occasions when the less you know, the better, as you can honestly say that what goes wrong has nothing to do with you.

♓ PISCES
(Feb. 20-Mar. 20)
This is very much your time of year to show how creative you can be, but you will need to watch out for people who are jealous of your talents. Any offers of help you get today should be politely declined. You don't need assistance.

♈ ARIES
(March 21-April 20)
You have a tendency to leave things to the very last minute, but if you do that under the influence of today's full moon, that minute could cause you a great deal of trouble. It should be no hardship for you to look and plan ahead.

♉ TAURUS
(April 21-May 21)
If you are open and honest about what you intend to do this week, then partners and loved ones, and maybe even some of your rivals, will back you all the way. They know a winner when they see one, and that one is you!

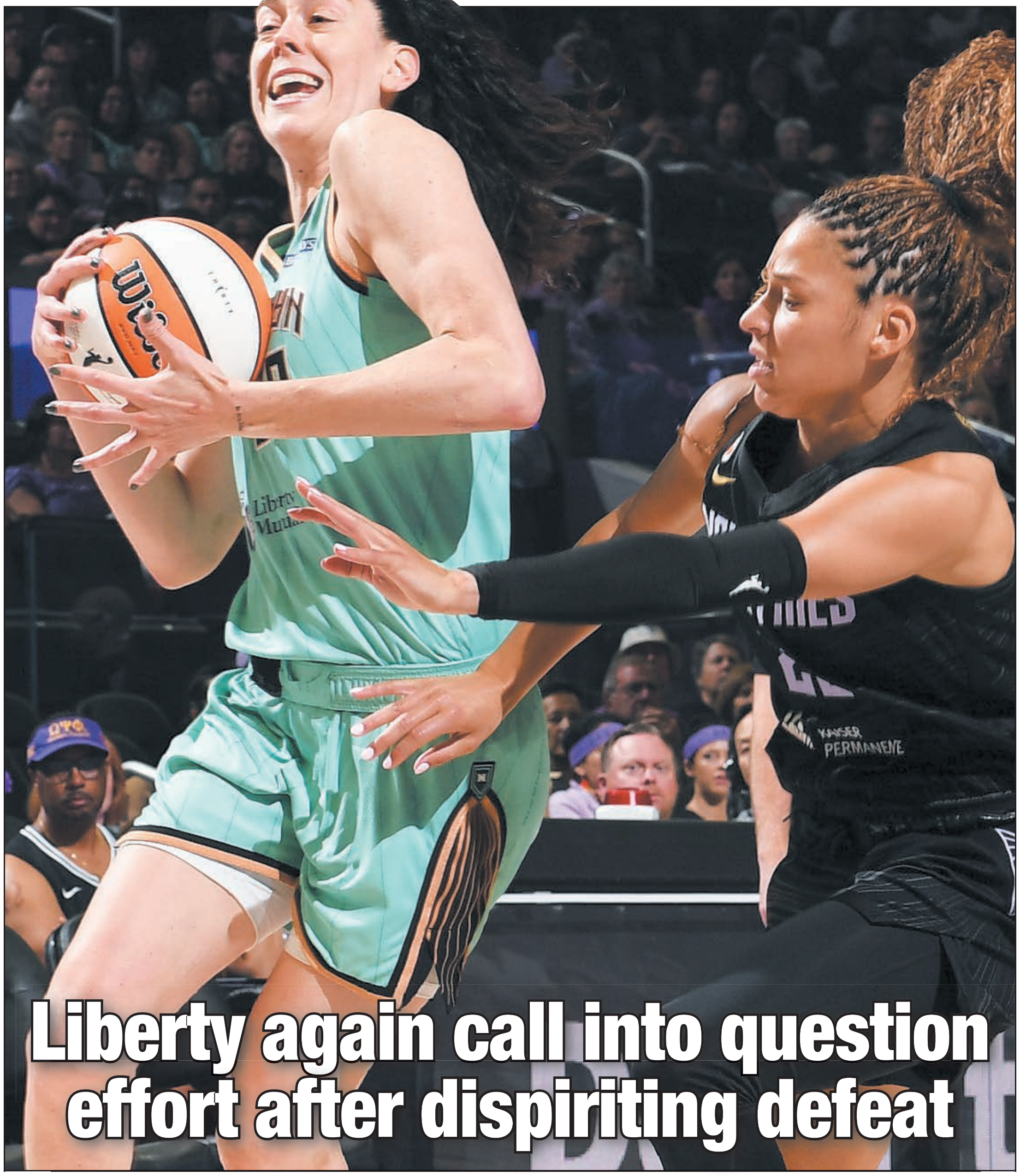
♊ GEMINI
(May 22-June 21)
Your money situation may be a bit worrying, but today's full moon will sort it out for you. It may not be the solution you were hoping for, but it will be the solution you need, the one that resolves most of your financial fears.

BIRTHDAY MONDAY

With both a full moon and Mercury turning retrograde on your birthday, the coming year is obviously going to be a time for reflection. You don't have to be an all-action hero to get things done — a more thoughtful approach will still take you far.

HEART ATTACK

Liberty again call into question effort after dispiriting defeat



STEW ON THAT: Liberty star Breanna Stewart, driving to the basket in Sunday's loss to the Valkyries in San Francisco, highlighted the importance of playing "with heart" even "when you're at your lowest." Getty Images

By MADELINE KENNEY

SAN FRANCISCO — The Liberty were "out" of their league.

They got outclassed, outplayed and outcoached by the undersized Valkyries, who won 76-67.

Jonquel Jones called out the team's lack of heart following the Storm loss — another example of New York getting outworked by a lesser opponent.

VALKYRIES	**76**
LIBERTY	**67**

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Breanna Stewart said that was a problem again Sunday.

"You can't play with heart and play with effort just when things are going good," Stewart said. "It's really the moments when you're at the lowest. And this team, we're obviously not a finished product, but this wasn't a great showing."

Indeed, it was not.

The Liberty should've known better. The Valkyries certainly did.

Gabby Williams knew the Liberty would try to punch first Sunday after what happened in Seattle on Thursday night. She also knew the Valkyries, coming off back-to-back wins against the Dream, had what it took to beat a talented Liberty team with some serious flaws emerging.

On Sunday, Williams & Co. proved it.

The Valkyries closed the second quarter on an 11-0 run to take a 41-29 lead at halftime. It was the lowest-scoring half for the Liberty all season.

Things didn't get better in the third.

On one possession, the Liberty allowed the Valkyries to grab two offensive rebounds before Kaila Charles got the layup to put the Valkyries up 16 with 5:37 left in the quarter.

At the end of the quarter, the Valkyries inbounded the ball and Charles found Janelle Salaun for the buzzer-beater that gave Golden State a 64-48 lead heading into the fourth.

It was all over from there.

In the majority of the Liberty's losses, they lost along the margins. On Sunday, they were outrebounded 30-22, turned the ball over 12 times for 15 Valkyries points and conceded 15 second-chance points.

The Liberty, supposed to be a championship contender, have dealt with injuries. They haven't been at full strength in either game against the Valkyries. They were without Leonie Fiebich (overseas commitments) and Sabrina Ionescu (left foot) for the first meeting. Satou Sabally missed Sunday due to concussion protocol.

But general manager Jonathan Kolb built this star-studded roster to withstand the wear and tear of a 44-game season.

For most of the past two weeks — outside of Tuesday's win against the defending champion Aces — the Liberty haven't looked consistently like a winner. They've racked up losses to the Mystics, Fire, Sparks and Storm — all teams sitting below them in the standings.

The Liberty have a problem with playing down to opponents, but Sunday's issue was that they failed to meet the moment against a team that already beat them at Barclays Center.

"We've never pointed the finger at anyone else besides ourselves, knowing that we're the ones out there playing," Ionescu said. "It's an opportunity for us to regroup after this road trip ... and we have to focus on the things that we can continue to get better on."

The Liberty have sky-high expectations for this season after firing coach Sandy Brondello a year after she guided the franchise to its first championship. Stewart said she's not surprised by the team's current standing, but knows there's a lot to improve.

"It's my 10th season," she said. "When you think it's gonna go good, sometimes it goes bad and vice versa. I think that the biggest thing that I can continue to preach to the teammates is not too high or too low. Of course, these games when you take the 'L,' these matter later, but we really want to just continue to be our best. I think that, of course, [there might be] some that we're going to look back on and really be upset at later, but the focus is on now, and that's all we can do."

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Trip home can't jolt struggling Ionescu

By MADELINE KENNEY

SAN FRANCISCO — Sunday night was the perfect opportunity for Sabrina Ionescu to rediscover her flow after a rocky two weeks.

She was playing in front of her hometown crowd, with dozens of friends and family members in attendance. Thanks to her mother, she enjoyed Romanian cooking and had a fresh load of laundry.

On Friday, Ionescu celebrated having her high school gymnasium named after her. She reveled in not needing GPS to navigate around town.

Man, it felt good to be home.

But all those good vibes didn't carry over to on-court success for Ionescu in a 76-67 Liberty loss.

Ionescu went scoreless in the first half, going 0-for-5 from the field. It was her fourth zero-point half this season in eight games.

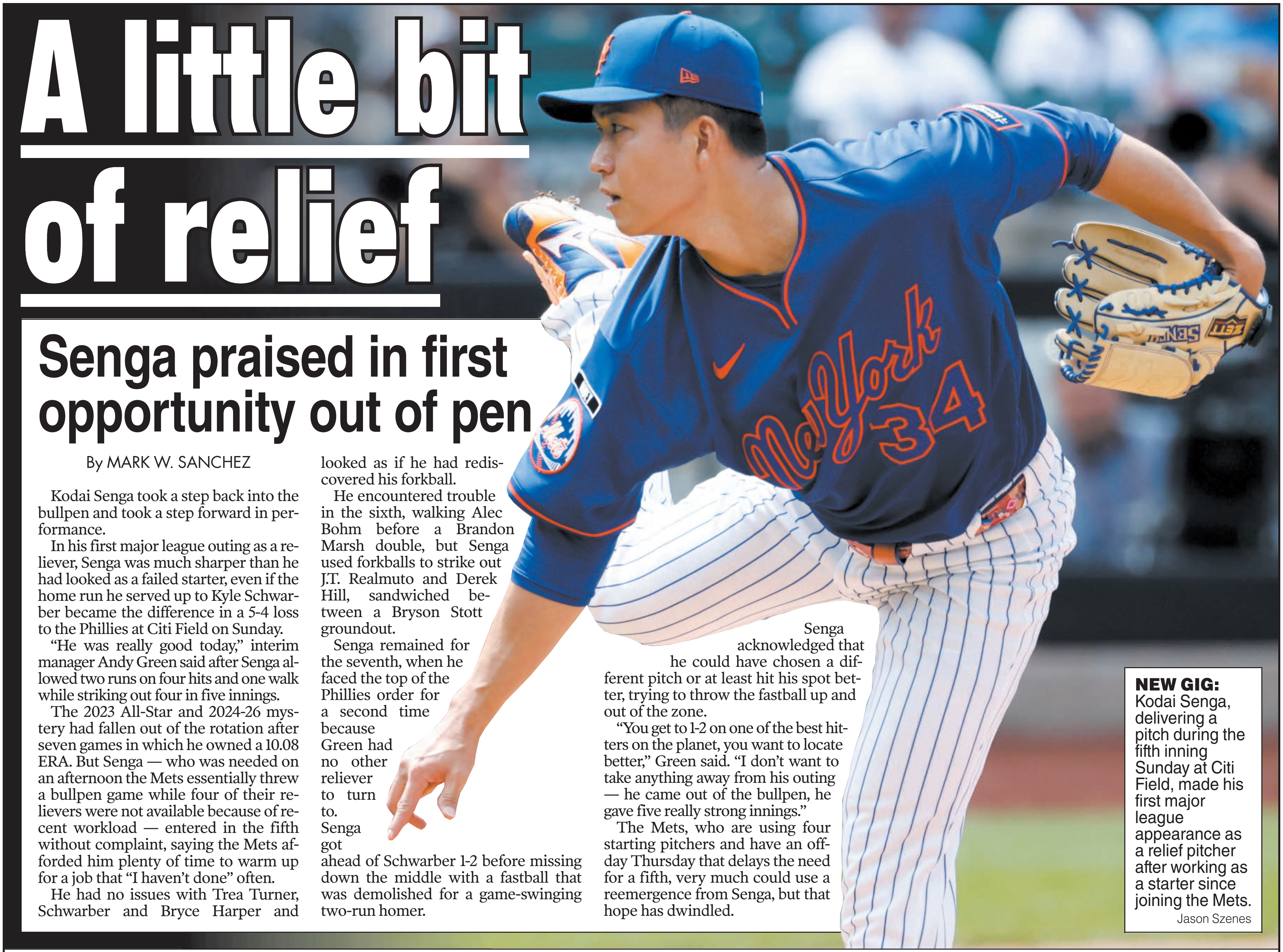
She produced a short burst in the third quarter, draining a 3 and making a layup after which she clapped so loud it could be heard from Section 127.

But the Liberty waved the white flag midway through the fourth. Ionescu checked out with 3:39 left in the game, finishing with nine points on 10 shots, three rebounds and two assists.

"I've never missed a month in a season unless it was my rookie season," said Ionescu, who suffered a season-ending injury three games into her first WNBA campaign. "Obviously, it's been a learning experience for me. I've never missed this much time, especially early on in the year, when you're kind of trying to find your identity as a team and build chemistry with players you haven't played with and obviously a new coach and new system, so all that is new."

Ionescu missed the first two weeks of the season with a left foot injury. She played one game before being sidelined with back soreness.

Since returning to the rotation June 14, Ionescu has said she feels physically fine, but she doesn't look like it. In the past seven games, she's averaging 9.3 points, 3.6 rebounds and 2.9 assists while shooting 36.5 percent from the field and 29 percent from deep.



A little bit of relief

Senga praised in first opportunity out of pen

By MARK W. SANCHEZ

Kodai Senga took a step back into the bullpen and took a step forward in performance.

In his first major league outing as a reliever, Senga was much sharper than he had looked as a failed starter, even if the home run he served up to Kyle Schwarber became the difference in a 5-4 loss to the Phillies at Citi Field on Sunday.

"He was really good today," interim manager Andy Green said after Senga allowed two runs on four hits and one walk while striking out four in five innings.

The 2023 All-Star and 2024-26 mystery had fallen out of the rotation after seven games in which he owned a 10.08 ERA. But Senga — who was needed on an afternoon the Mets essentially threw a bullpen game while four of their relievers were not available because of recent workload — entered in the fifth without complaint, saying the Mets afforded him plenty of time to warm up for a job that "I haven't done" often.

He had no issues with Trea Turner, Schwarber and Bryce Harper and looked as if he had rediscovered his forkball.

He encountered trouble in the sixth, walking Alec Bohm before a Brandon Marsh double, but Senga used forkballs to strike out J.T. Realmuto and Derek Hill, sandwiched between a Bryson Stott groundout.

Senga remained for the seventh, when he faced the top of the Phillies order for a second time because Green had no other reliever to turn to.

Senga got ahead of Schwarber 1-2 before missing down the middle with a fastball that was demolished for a game-swinging two-run homer.

Senga acknowledged that he could have chosen a different pitch or at least hit his spot better, trying to throw the fastball up and out of the zone.

"You get to 1-2 on one of the best hitters on the planet, you want to locate better," Green said. "I don't want to take anything away from his outing — he came out of the bullpen, he gave five really strong innings."

The Mets, who are using four starting pitchers and have an offday Thursday that delays the need for a fifth, very much could use a reemergence from Senga, but that hope has dwindled.

NEW GIG: Kodai Senga, delivering a pitch during the fifth inning Sunday at Citi Field, made his first major league appearance as a relief pitcher after working as a starter since joining the Mets.
Jason Szenes

Polanco confident second rehab stint will succeed

METS NOTES

By MARK W. SANCHEZ

The Mets cleanup hitter and starting first baseman Sunday was Eric Wagaman, whom they had designated for assignment last month.

It was yet another reminder of the difficulties of this season, particularly at a position that the Mets had not worried about for the previous seven years.

Jorge Polanco, their primary replacement for Pete Alonso, has played 14 games and Saturday began his second attempt at a rehab assignment that he feels more confident about than the first.

After lasting just six minor league games in late May and early June before his ankle soreness became too severe to continue, Polanco again played with Triple-A Syracuse and logged three at-bats (0-for-3 with a strikeout) in another first step — and it is just a first, with a return not imminent — he believes went well.

"I think I'll be able to return because my leg just feels stronger," Polanco said through interpreter Alan Suriel from Citi Field before the Mets lost 5-4 to the Phillies. "I've put more of a workload in there. But I've also been able to recover properly."

Polanco originally landed on the injured list in mid-April with a right wrist contusion, an issue he says is fully behind him. But he also had been bothered by Achilles bursitis in his right ankle, which has not gone away and which he and the Mets believe will not go away this season.

"There's still pain there, but it's a pain that I feel like I can tolerate," said Polanco, a 13-year veteran who has dealt with myriad injuries. "I'm in a position right now where my ankle does feel good enough to go out there and play."

The next step is to begin logging games and at-bats, if not defensive appearances for a player who likely will solely serve as a designated hitter whenever he is ready. Interim manager Andy Green said there is no firm timeline for Polanco to return, as the club needs to see how his ankle responds.

Polanco, who was signed to a two-year, $40 million pact, acknowledged his own situation and his team's "doesn't feel good."

"The expectations were high. The team as a whole has not played up to our capabilities," Polanco said. "Also, no one wants to be injured. From that aspect, it hasn't been a good feeling.

"But at the same time, you have to go out and continue to be positive and try to turn the tide."

➤ **Clay Holmes** expects to graduate from flat ground to mound work sometime next week.

The righty, who fractured his fibula May 15, had a follow-up X-ray on Friday that showed "everything checked out," Holmes said.

Typically, starting pitchers need a full six weeks of work to fully build up, but Holmes said he does not think it will take that long because his "arm feels great," and he has been throwing consistently.

"It's just kind of just seeing how the ankle responds," said Holmes, who had been the club's best and most reliable starting pitcher. "If there's any fatigue in it, how it's handling the throws, the high-intensity throws. … You have to be sure that you're not compromising the way you throw."

➤ **Tyrone Taylor** returned from the injured list, playing his first game since May 25, and went 2-for-2 with a run scored.

➤ The loudest ovation of the afternoon was for **OG Anunoby**, who threw out the ceremonial first pitch to **José Reyes**. Reyes had become the Knicks forward's favorite player because he was the cover athlete on "Major League Baseball 2K8," a video game he played often as a child.

A FULL CUP

Thrilling group play gives way to largest knockout stage yet — filled with African upstarts and favorites

THE WORLD IS WATCHING: The Round of 32 has a little bit of everything — from superstar Lionel Messi (near right) and one of the favorites in Argentina, to Alvaro Fidalgo (far right) and Mexico getting to play a couple more games on home soil to Kevin Pina (below) and Cinderella Cape Verde.

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By MICHAEL DUARTE

After 72 exhilarating group-stage matches, the biggest FIFA World Cup in history has finally reached the knockout stage.

The inaugural Round of 32 — which began with Canada's dramatic 1-0 win over South Africa on Sunday and really gets going with three games Monday — ushers in a new era for the World Cup. Thirty-two nations are now competing in a single-elimination survival of the fittest. Lose, and you're headed home. Win, and advance to the next round.

Before we look ahead to the Round of 32, let's look at some of the biggest storylines from the group stage.

The group stage belonged to Africa

If the group stage taught us anything, it's that this tournament has been every bit as global as FIFA envisioned. But no continent made a louder statement than Africa.

Nine of the tournament's 10 African representatives punched tickets to the knockout rounds, an astonishing achievement that speaks to the continent's remarkable rise. Cape Verde, the tournament's biggest Cinderella story, is still standing alongside powers such as Senegal, Morocco, Algeria, Ivory Coast, Egypt, Ghana, South Africa and Congo.

The hosts held home court

The United States, Mexico and Canada all advanced, ensuring the home crowds will continue to fuel the tournament into July.

Favorites look the part

The top four betting favorites before the tournament began still remain the teams to beat. Argentina, France, Spain and England each went undefeated and won their groups, while stars like Lionel Messi, Kylian Mbappé, Harry Kane, Lamine Yamal and Ousmane Dembélé reminded everyone why they are the best players in the world today.

The marquee matchups in the Round of 32

The inaugural Round of 32 features 16 matches across six days with several heavyweight clashes worthy of later rounds.

The marquee match is between No. 6 Morocco and No. 7 Netherlands, the only pairing of two top 10 FIFA-ranked teams in the Round of 32.

We know at least one top-ranked team will be knocked out soon, but if you're a fan of soccer, there are three more matches worthy of being circled.

No. 5 Brazil vs. No. 17 Japan has all the ingredients for a classic. Japan has become one of the world's most disciplined tactical sides, while Brazil enters chasing a record sixth World Cup crown.

No. 8 Portugal vs. No. 13 Croatia feels like a heavyweight prizefight between two veteran European powers. It also features two longtime teammates at Real Madrid in Cristiano Ronaldo and Luka Modric, both still playing into their 40s.

Then there's No. 10 Belgium vs. No. 18 Senegal, another matchup featuring two top 20 nations where the winner immediately becomes a dangerous threat in the bottom half of the bracket.

The three host nations each have favorable opportunities as well. No. 32 Canada opened the knockout stage against No. 52 South Africa, advancing with a late strike in stoppage time. No. 9 Mexico faces No. 24 Ecuador on Tuesday, while No. 15 United States welcomes No. 61 Bosnia-Herzegovina on Wednesday night.

Path to the semifinals

Not every road to the semifinals is created equal. Some contenders caught favorable draws. Others are staring at an absolute gauntlet before they can even think about reaching the final four.

The biggest winner when the bracket was finalized might have been No. 1 Argentina.

The reigning champions not only face the lowest-ranked team remaining in the tournament in No. 64 Cape Verde, but No. 11 Colombia stands as the only projected top 15 opponent they would face before a potential semifinal.

Argentina's potential opponent in an Atlanta semifinal is more difficult to predict.

No. 5 Brazil, No. 9 Mexico and No. 4 England all occupy the same neighborhood. Only one can emerge, meaning one of the tournament favorites will almost certainly eliminate another before reaching the final four.

The United States drew the tournament's toughest path

Unfortunately for American supporters, the U.S. has the toughest road to the semifinals.

Should the Americans defeat Bosnia, the likely reward is No. 10 Belgium. Survive that and No. 3 Spain probably waits. No. 9 Portugal remains another realistic obstacle. That's potentially three opponents ranked inside FIFA's top 10 before even reaching the semifinals.

It is, by every reasonable measure, the most difficult path any contender faces.

And the reward for surviving that gauntlet?

France.

The 2018 champions and 2022 runners-up appear to have the second-most favorable road to the semifinals, with No. 12 Germany representing the toughest projected obstacle before a likely showdown with either No. 6 Morocco or No. 7 Netherlands.

In other words, if the United States dreams of reaching its first men's World Cup Final, Mauricio Pochettino's squad may have to eliminate Belgium, Spain/Portugal and France in succession. That's not just difficult. It's arguably the toughest stretch any nation has ever faced in a World Cup knockout bracket.

But that's the beauty of the World Cup and knockout soccer. Rankings become meaningless after kickoff and all it takes is one mistake to end a dream or one spectacular moment to become a legend forever.

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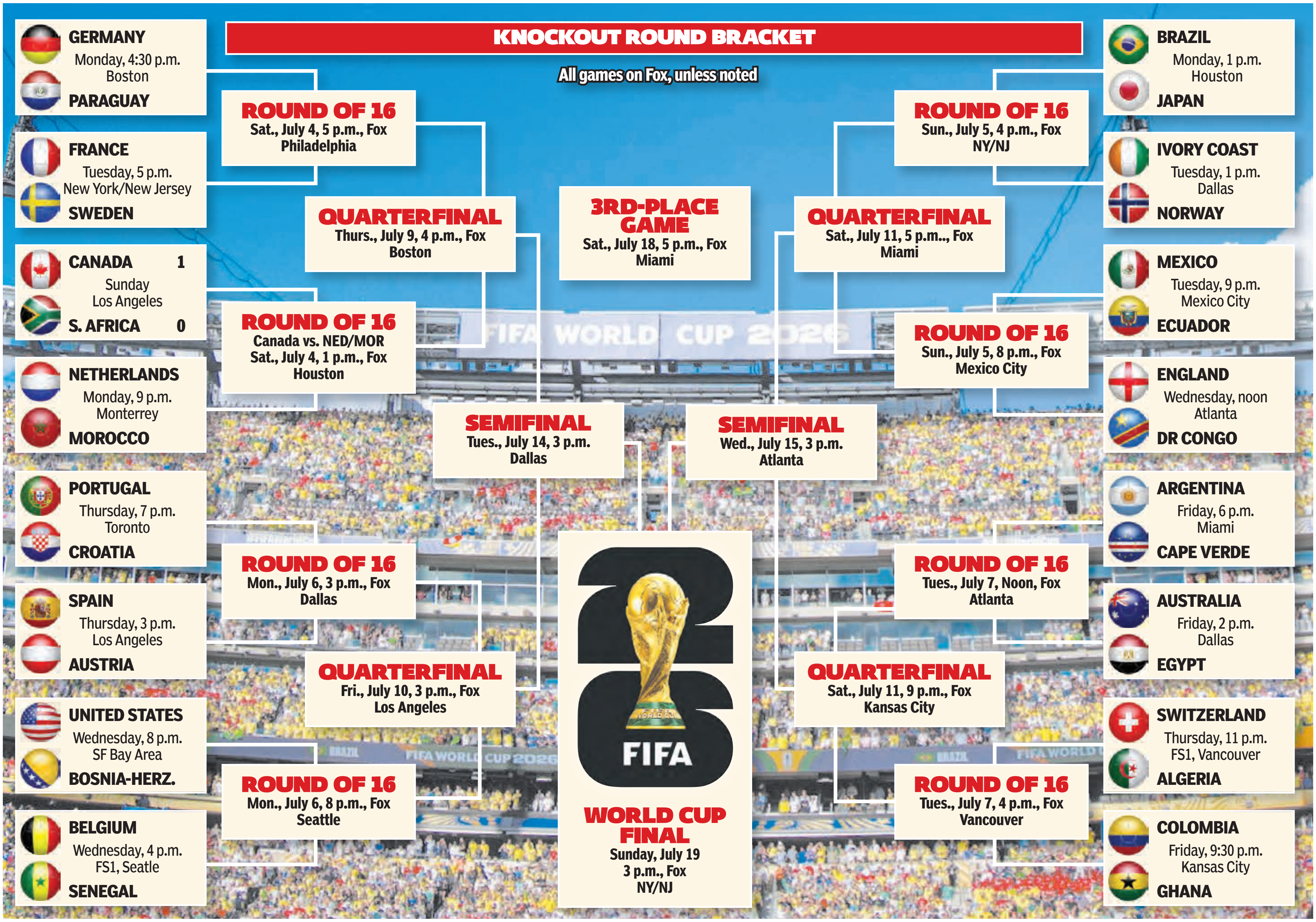

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Late strike makes history for Canada

By ETHAN SEARS

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INGLEWOOD, Calif. — They waited for 91 minutes, and it sure seemed they would be waiting longer.

The game was going to extra time. South Africa was playing for extra time. Canada was offering little resistance. It had been a dull 90 minutes, all the excitement of two teams playing their first knockout game at a World Cup evaporating in back passes and passivity. This was the sort of 0-0 knockout game to inspire takes that the tournament's expansion to 48 teams was ill-conceived.

And then, and then, and then, South Africa defended a cross poorly, and the ball was at Stephen Eustáquio's chest atop the 18-yard box. All afternoon, Canada lacked a finishing touch. Twice, South Africa defenders had come from nowhere to stop what looked like sure goals. Not this time. Not this moment.

Some of Eustáquio's teammates, Dayne St. Clair said, have been urging him to shoot and try to break a scoring drought that had stretched on since Feb. 28. He did, swinging his right foot and, Alistair Johnston would say later, "it's one of those moments that you'll never forget where you were."

At least Canada won't. At its second-ever World Cup, Canada is off to the Round of 16 for the first time in its history, Eustáquio's strike having pulled the nation into nirvana.

Canada manager Jesse Marsch, at the full-time whistle that confirmed a 1-0 victory, implored his team: "You are Canadian heroes."

"It can change the perspective of our country forever," midfielder Liam Millar said.

Eustáquio, who chose to play for Canada over Portugal, and who was playing Sunday within miles of his temporary club home — he's on loan at LAFC from FC Porto in Portugal — will be a household name in a country of 41 million that has never had a moment like this in soccer.

"We feel like we're brothers," Eustáquio said. "And at the same time, when we fight for each other, when we play for each other, special things like this can happen."

The group, built around superstar Alphonso Davies — whose first World Cup minutes Sunday, returning from a hamstring injury, helped change the game — along with Jonathan David and Moïse Bombito, is by far Canada's best-ever national team. If the sport has been second fiddle in the U.S., it's been off the radar in Canada, at least until largely the same core qualified for the Qatar World Cup four years ago.

It crashed out with three defeats then. Its failure to beat Switzerland in the last group-stage game this year prevented Canada from getting a knockout path with games in Canada, but handed it a winnable game against a South African side that upset South Korea to make it this far.

None of that will matter. All that does is the moment, the joy and the highlight playing over and over again.

"Something just comes over your body and you see Steph sprinting away and the whole team sprinting," Johnston said. "I think for Canadian sports history, it's gonna be a moment where you kind of know where you were when that moment happened. So that's something that is not lost on us."

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NEVER QUIET ON THE WESTON FRONT

SHOUT IT OUT LOUD: Weston McKennie has become a not-so-quiet leader for the U.S. national team.
Getty Images (3)

‘Kind of a clown,’ McKennie always in thick of things for United States

By ETHAN SEARS

IRVINE, Calif. — Weston McKennie has taken up a new habit at the U.S. men’s national team’s World Cup base.

The team’s setup for media availabilities has two players talking behind, essentially, bleachers. So McKennie, the team’s resident pot-stirrer, has started to stand on the bleachers while his teammates give interviews, messing around at will.

“Good guy, kind of a clown,” Max Arfsten said last week, with McKennie looking on. “That’s all I can say, really.”

That’s typical McKennie. He sits next to Folarin Balogun on the plane and flicks his ear to keep him awake. He doesn’t have much interest in watching other soccer games, not wanting the sport to consume his whole life.

He’s also one of the most crucial pieces of Mauricio Pochettino’s side, the only player to start all three group-stage games and in the midst of an excellent World Cup.

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Given McKennie’s versatility — at various points this season, he lined up at practically every spot on the field for Juventus — there was some debate heading into the competition over how deep he should play. Especially after Pochettino selected a squad with seemingly little depth at defensive midfield, dropping him into a deeper role where he’d partner with Tyler Adams seemed likely.

McKennie’s best position, though, and preferred spot, is attacking midfield. Pochettino stuck to that, putting Malik Tillman next to Adams instead to help create a midfield “pentagon,” in the words of Paraguay coach Gustavo Alfaro, that’s vexed the opposition.

“I think he’s really important for us,” Sergiño Dest said Sunday as the USMNT returned to full training ahead of its round of 32 match against Bosnia-Herzegovina. “He’s kind of a box-to-box player. He runs a lot, he helps a lot, he goes into every duel with full effort. That’s really helpful for the team, because we need balance. We have a lot of different types of players and he’s just a really important one.”

McKennie, indeed, has been a huge reason behind the success of Pochettino’s system. His combination play with Dest was a constant throughout the win over Australia, his passing terrific against Paraguay. It seemed excessive to play him 86 minutes against Turkey in a meaningless match, but there doesn’t seem to have been any negative outcome from it, and McKennie, again, was in the center of things on both ends of the pitch. Truth be told, he’s unlucky to have come out of the group stage without a goal or assist.

Along with Pulisic and Adams, he’s also one of the faces of the program’s post-2017 resurgence, having gotten his first cap against Portugal in the first game the USMNT played after failing to qualify for the 2018 World Cup.

That does give him something of a leadership role in the squad, albeit in unorthodox fashion. When the program wanted to wine and dine Balogun during its push to get him to commit in 2023, for example, McKennie was one of the players at the dinner.

“I think Weston has really matured,” Balogun said. “I think this is his best club season as well, and he’s brought that form into the international level. I’m very, very proud of Weston and the strides he’s made. He’s definitely turned into more of a senior and leader within our team.

“He continues to lead in different ways. He’s somebody who makes the energy good within camp, who talks to everyone, makes sure everyone’s comfortable. And on the pitch, you can see within the game we’ve played, he has a real impact. I hope, like Malik, he can continue this not just here, but carry it into the following seasons.”

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Approach changes as knockout stage nears for USMNT

Mark Cannizzaro

IRVINE, Calif. — Outside of injury, it's the cruelest part of sports.

But it's the unforgiving reality facing the U.S. national team as the World Cup knockout stage begins.

What happens next matters much more than what was just accomplished.

What happens next will either enhance all the good that this U.S. team has done in this World Cup and allow bigger dreams to percolate ... or it will erase it all — in the blink of 90 minutes.

The U.S. is still riding a wave of euphoria from finishing first in Group D and earning a Round of 32 match against Bosnia-Herzegovina, a lower-ranked team, Wednesday in Santa Clara, Calif.

The 4-1 rout of Paraguay in the group-stage opener was an eye-opener, with the four goals being the most an American side has ever scored in a World Cup match.

Then came the 2-0 win over the physical Aussies in the second match — a win that clinched victory in the group and raised expectations higher than they've ever been for U.S. men's soccer.

None of that matters now, though.

Not unless the U.S. defeats Bosnia, winning a knockout match for the first time in 24 years.

As U.S. striker Folarin Balogun said so perfectly before the team took to the training pitch Sunday after two days of rest, the "business end" of the World Cup begins now.

"For me, [winning Group D] won't mean much if we don't progress," Balogun said. "I'm not somebody who would look back and think we've done well ... that's not really my mentality. I'm just looking forward to Wednesday and looking forward to going out and winning."

The last time the U.S. won a match in the knockout stage was in 2002, when it defeated Mexico 2-0 before losing to Germany 1-0 in the quarterfinals.

Since '02, the U.S. has played in four World Cups and advanced to the knockout stage three times, losing to Ghana in 2010, Belgium in 2014 and the Netherlands in 2022.

That history, though, should not weigh on this group.

Even though 13 members on the team, including key starters Christian Pulisic, Tyler Adams, Tim Ream and Weston McKennie, were on the 2022 team, this is a new team with a different coach, a different energy and a higher confidence level.

"From my personal experience, the best way to break history is not to think about what hasn't been done," Balogun said. "It's just to think about what you need to do and what needs to be done in order to progress. The winner wins."

Defender Sergiño Dest, who was a member of the 2022 team, said the knockout rounds are "always difficult," because "it's all or nothing."

This is the best opportunity, perhaps ever, for the U.S. to go deep into the knockout rounds, because it should begin Wednesday on the front foot, as the favorite to win.

That's a significant departure from its past advancements through group stages. Historically, when the U.S. has gotten to the knockout stage, it has been the immediate underdog.

Now, with Bosnia, there is no other option but to win for the U.S., because for a change, it's expected to win and move on.

"You've got to be sharp at all times, because if you're not, you can get out," Dest said. "I feel like everybody's really confident. We just have a lot of belief that we can do it — one, two and then three down."

That only happens if the U.S. gets the first one first.

With the players off Saturday after a day of regen Friday and restarting training Sunday, Balogun said he can already sense a different vibe now that the knockout round looms.

"I can feel the difference just in the atmosphere," he said. "It's knockout football. You lose, you go home. It's just more serious. This is the business end. This is the stage where the big players step forward and carry the pressure and make things happen."

For all the publicity that Pulisic gets as "Captain America," Balogun is the most clinical finisher in the attacking third, having scored two goals in the first two group-stage matches. The U.S., of course, needs more of that Wednesday.

"There's a change in my mindset and mentality as well in the knockout round," Balogun said. "Not that I wasn't taking it seriously before, but you can just go into another gear, because you want it more. I don't want the journey to end."

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> *— Folarin Balogun on Weston McKennie*

Dest out to show he made right call

By MARK CANNIZZARO

USMNT NOTES

IRVINE, Calif. — Sergiño Dest will see a familiar face Wednesday when the U.S. plays Bosnia-Herzegovina in Santa Clara.

Dest is a club teammate of Bosnian forward Esmir Bajraktarevic at PSV Eindhoven in the Netherlands.

Dest, a dual citizen of the U.S. and the Netherlands, opted to play for the U.S. Dest was born and raised in the Netherlands to a Dutch mother and a Surinamese American father.

In spite of his Dutch roots and upbringing, he committed his international career to the USMNT in 2019.

Conversely, Bajraktarevic is a Wisconsin native whose parents are Bosnian refugees who fled to the U.S. He previously played for the USMNT at the youth/friendly levels before officially switching his allegiance to represent his native Bosnia in the 2026 World Cup.

Dest said he hadn't spoken to Bajraktarevic in the lead-up to the game.

"He is a good player, a technical player," Dest said. "He also had to make the choice between the U.S. and Bosnia. He chose the other side, but hopefully he [will] regret it after Wednesday.

"I didn't call him or text him yet about this game, and to be honest I don't think I will until Wednesday. After the game we can talk. We'll see what happens on Wednesday. Our focus is big."

➤ With Wednesday's Round of 32 match against Bosnia looming, there was some talk Sunday at U.S. training about what this team learned from the 2022 team that was eliminated in the first match by the Netherlands.

"I think we're a different team right now," said Dest, one of 13 players on the current roster who were on the '22 squad. "We've improved a lot in the last couple of years, and I think we showed it in the first couple of games. We're all a little bit older. We've got a lot more experienced players at the moment and we have better chemistry and we're in a better headspace."

WHAT A WASTE

Mets miss chance after chance vs. Phillies, letting opportunity for momentum slip away

By MARK W. SANCHEZ

PHILLIES	**5**
METS	**4**

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A chance to win a game. A chance to win a series. A chance to seize momentum under interim manager Andy Green, and a chance to begin a streak that might rescue a team that is hurtling toward the trade deadline.

All of those chances were wasted on an afternoon in which wasted chances became the theme.

The Mets mounted threat after threat followed by disappointment after disappointment, continually letting Phillies pitchers slip out of jams in what became yet another loss, this one 5-4 at Citi Field in front of 38,770, who were lively in moments of hope and furious in the more numerous moments of despair.

"We just didn't bring guys home today," said Green, whose Mets (35-49) dropped another game — that's eight of nine — and another series — that's four straight — and have not been instantly transformed under the new manager.

They continue to find ways to lose, Sunday going 2-for-16 with runners in scoring position and leaving 14 on base to ruin their chances of stealing the game and the series.

And yes, it would have been a steal. They played without Francisco Lindor, who is being eased back into an everyday role following a two-month absence with a calf strain. The lineup without him featured cleanup hitter Eric Wagaman and Nos. 6-9, who entered with OPS marks of .644 (Mark Vientos), .530 (Tyrone Taylor), .586 (Brett Baty) and .569 (Luis Torrens). In several key moments, Green left Lindor's bat on the bench, determined to give the shortstop a full day of rest.

"He was tempting," Green said of Lindor, who played just three rehab games and had not played back-to-back contests until Friday and Saturday. "He had the day [off] entirely."

With their rotation options depleted and no fifth starter to give the ball, the Mets cobbled together a version of a bullpen game without the unit's best arms because Devin Williams, Luke Weaver and Huascar Brazobán had pitched on three of four days and A.J. Minter went longer Saturday (1 ²⁄₃ innings) than he had since 2021.

So after Cionel Pérez (clean first inning) and Tobias Myers (three innings, three runs), Kodai Senga (five innings, two runs) was forced to provide length as a reliever and was burned in the seventh. If Green had another arm to turn to, he probably would have, but Senga remained for the top of the Phillies order and served up a towering, two-run homer to Kyle Schwarber that became the difference.

Still, the Mets had a chance — many of them, in fact. Their last good one arrived in the eighth, when Orion Kerkering walked the bases loaded with one out. But after Kerkering had thrown nine straight balls, Ronny Mauricio swung at a 1-0 fastball and popped out before Francisco Alvarez swung through high heat, getting booed on his walk back to the dugout.

"[At] different points in time in the game today, there were takes on for guys, and then at different points in time they were turned loose," Green said. "We weren't able to get it just right."

An inning prior, it was Baty stranding two by grounding out. For the first five innings against Jesús Luzardo, the Mets went 1-for-9 with runners in scoring position, low-lighted by the fourth inning: They put two runners on without an out only to strike out three straight times, Vientos hearing the jeers in whiffing to end the rally.

A bright spot popped up in the fifth — when Carson Benge poked a left-on-left, first-pitch RBI single against Luzardo that cut the deficit to 3-1 — but they proceeded to load the bases for Bo Bichette, who struck out, and Wagaman, who flied out.

Another bright spot in the form of another young outfielder appeared in the sixth, when pinch hitter A.J. Ewing sat on a breaking ball and smoked a two-run shot to right field for his fourth homer of the season to tie it up. A walk and a single later, Benge won a battle against another lefty, Kyle Backhus, crushing a pitch that deflected off Backhus' glove for a fielder's choice that pushed the Mets ahead 4-3.

But the lead would not last because the Mets could not extend it.

"That's just baseball," said Ewing, who likely will be one of the few reasons to watch the Mets in what would be a wasted August and September. "I mean, it's hard."

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Ex-Cub Ross hopes to get job call

BOSTON — For David Ross' four seasons spent as the manager of the Cubs, Andy Green was his bench coach.

And Ross knows Green fully intends to return to his role in the Mets front office after finishing this season as the team's manager following Carlos Mendoza's firing.

But he's curious to see if Green's competitive nature forces him to consider sticking around in the dugout.

Still, if the Mets managerial job does open following the season, Ross said he'd "love" to get a shot at it.

"I hope they call," Ross said Sunday at Fenway Park prior to the Yankees facing the Red Sox. "It would be nice. It would be cool."

Ross now works for ESPN and is interested in getting back into baseball. And while his name is often mentioned when managing jobs open, he said he didn't receive any interest last offseason.

He would talk to the Mets if they reached out.

"Managing is all about the fit," Ross said. "The fit with the front office, ownership and their commitment to winning. All those things are valuable and after having some experience managing before, it would have to be a fit."

— Dan Martin

SCHWARBOMBED: Kodai Senga, who pitched five innings in the first relief appearance of his career, reacts after giving up a go-ahead two-run homer to the Phillies' Kyle Schwarber in the seventh inning, dooming the Mets to a 5-4 loss at Citi Field. Jason Szenes

ON DECK: at Blue Jays

Monday, 7:07 p.m., SNY, WHSQ (880 AM)

LHP Sean Manaea	RHP Trey Yesavage
2026 stats: 1-2, 4.87 ERA	**2026 stats:** 3-3, 3.56 ERA
Career vs. TOR: 2-0, 3.16 ERA	**Career vs. NYM:** First start
Last start: Wed. vs. CHC 3.0 IP, 6 H, 3 ER	**Last start:** Wed. vs. HOU 5.2 IP, 2 H, 1 ER

PITCH BREAKDOWN

36%	32%	20%
4-Seamer	Sweeper	Sinker

PITCH BREAKDOWN

45%	30%	25%
4-Seamer	Splitter	Slider

UP NEXT

TUESDAY: at Blue Jays, 7:07 p.m., SNY, WHSQ
RHP Nolan McLean vs. RHP Kevin Gausman

WEDNESDAY: at Blue Jays, 3:07 p.m., SNY, WHSQ
RHP Freddy Peralta vs. LHP Patrick Corbin

INJURY REPORT

- **Francisco Lindor** did not play for what would been a third straight game because the Mets are easing him back from a calf strain.
- **Jorge Polanco** began a second rehab assignment Saturday with Triple-A Syracuse and believes his ankle will hold up this time because he has strengthened it.

Not too much of value to sell from sinking ship

SWING & A MISS: Even if they wanted to start from scratch, huge deals attached to players like Juan Soto limit sellers. Imagn Images

Jon Heyman

WE SHOULD be headed pretty soon to that unfortunate portion of the baseball season that happens far too frequently in Flushing. That, unhappily, is selling season.

"The Mets need a complete makeover," one big-league scout opined to The Post.

That may be so. But it's hard to see them transforming into a winner based on any upcoming deals.

Their trading season might actually be like those old Aqueduct flea markets, where it takes a lot of fancy haggling to extract anything of value. The Mets' wares aren't exactly in demand — at least not yet.

Not even Mr. Met could smile and dance over what's to come at this deadline. (And for the record, Mr. Met wasn't fired or disciplined for whooping it up on-camera behind SNY's Steve Gelbs, who remarkably managed to professionally complete that somber report the day the Mets fired beloved manager Carlos Mendoza.)

Teams that spend $500 million — $380M payroll, plus associated tax — should never have to give up by early summer. But that's what we are looking at now.

In a 5-4 loss Sunday at Citi Field to the archrival Phillies, the Mets employed in relief slumping Kodai Senga (who should be in the minors) and journeyman Eric Wagaman as the cleanup hitter but not superstar shortstop Francisco Lindor at all after he recently returned from the worst calf injury in modern history.

The Mets are behaving and generally playing like an also-ran. But they aren't quite ready to sell for two reasons.

For one, it's early, even for them.

To fall completely out of the playoff picture halfway through the season is a trick limited to the truly terrible teams. The Mets are terrible but only by the standard of their effort/expenditure.

For another, they need time.

The two most valuable of their obvious trade pieces aren't marketable yet. Freddy Peralta first needs to string together more starts like his last one and Clay Holmes needs to recover.

For today, their most coveted trade bait might be setup man Luke Weaver, who hasn't given up a run since April. But unlike Peralta and Holmes, he isn't a free agent, so they may want to hold on to him.

With even mediocre teams envisioning the playoffs, it looks like a major seller's market. But I consulted with four veteran baseball executives and all agreed that the Mets wouldn't exactly be able to remake their team with what they have to peddle.

One was so dismissive of their trade potential, he suggested maybe they "have to run this mess back." Egads!!!

That's not going to happen. Whatever fault you may ascribe to Mets baseball president David Stearns, we know he's not afraid of change.

So really, what are we looking at here?

Peralta is probably the best hope for a well-ranked prospect thanks to his reliability and bizarrely low $8M veteran salary. But that's true only if Peralta rattles off a few good ones, and "the underlying metrics look more like his past," one exec said.

Holmes, who was looking like a top-of-the-rotation starter before suffering a fractured fibula, needs to get back. He's healing well and throwing in the outfield, but there's no stated timetable yet. Holmes will almost surely opt out of his contract either way, and seeing how the qualifying offer would net a high-paying team like the Mets only a fourth-round pick, they need to try to move him.

None of the starting position players looks like a likely trade candidate. I'd trade Francisco Alvarez, who has value even if it's seriously diminished in the years since we found out he isn't the second coming of Johnny Bench. Maybe the Yankees, whose catchers are collectively below the Mendoza line, would bite?

The Mets' two biggest stars, Juan Soto and Lindor, have veto power and enormous salaries even if they wanted to trade either one, and there's no evidence they do. The experts see the Cooperstown-bound Lindor, with $176M through 2031 left as of today, as not much better than a salary dump now at age 32, one that's better handled in winter when more teams might be in play.

Bichette, with his $42M salary, lucrative opt-out (he gets $5M to leave), two years remaining and so-so start has "zero value" as a trade piece, according to one exec. Same probably goes for the younger players who've yet to produce big.

The best news is the Mets have several relievers who will be coveted, a group that was supposed to be the team's weakness but has turned into a strength.

Beyond Weaver, Brooks Raley and A.J. Minter, two veteran lefties who are free agents after the year, plus surprise contributor Huascar Brazobán, all will get hits. Devin Williams, with his $17M salary, probably stays, but nothing can be assumed in an especially weak relief market, with few stars beyond the Yankee-hating Aroldis Chapman available.

A sale of an underperforming starter, a recovering starter plus a quartet or so of pen arms isn't very sexy or satisfying. But sadly, that's what's on deck for our boys from Queens.

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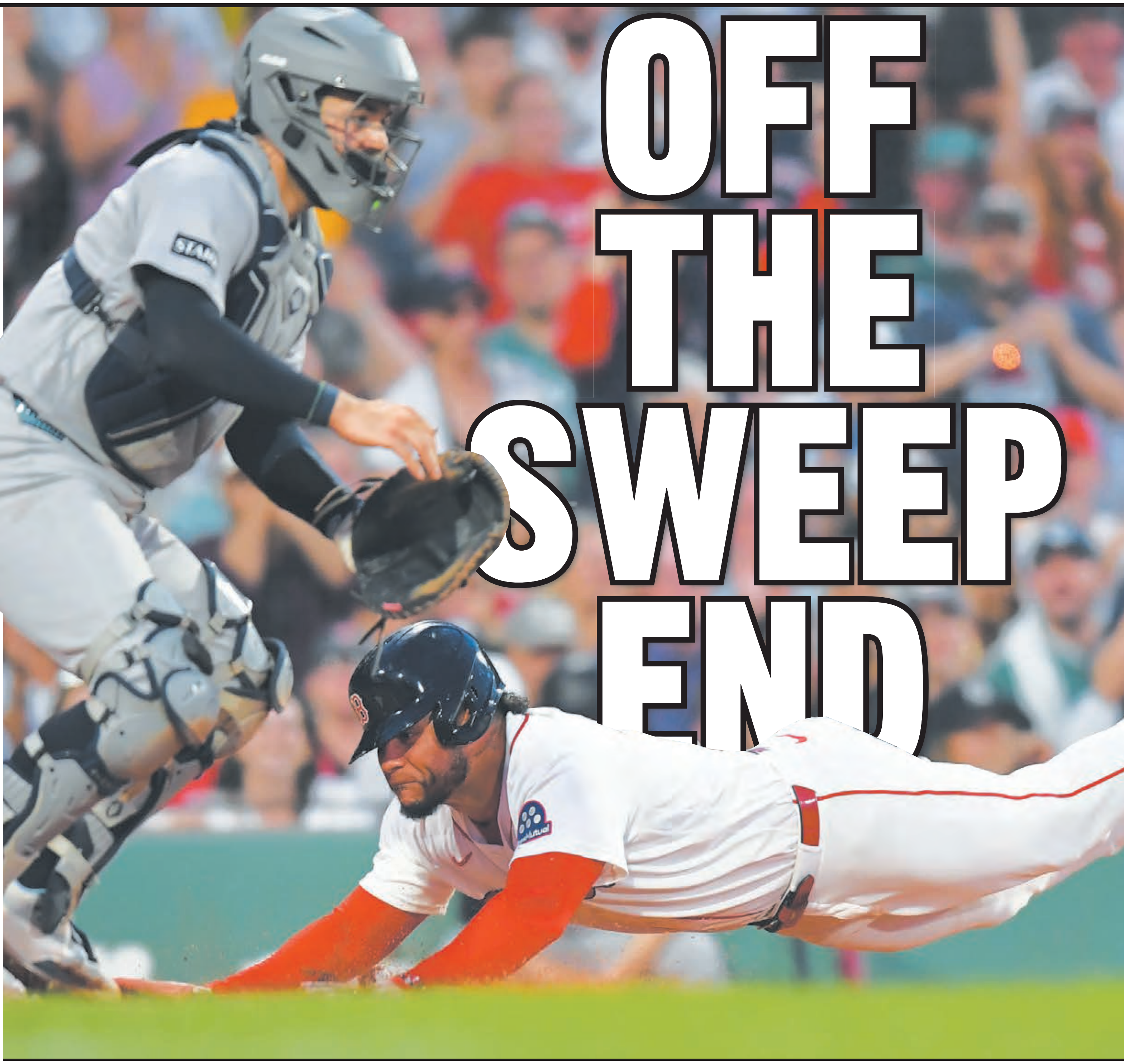
OFF THE SWEEP END



Gifted late lead, Yankees give it back to Bosox to complete four-game sweep

By GREG JOYCE

BOSTON — A late rally gave the Yankees a chance to finish a brutal weekend on a high note.

Instead, somehow, it only delayed the misery.

On a night when Sonny Gray took a no-hitter into the eighth inning, Aroldis Chapman and the Red Sox defense melted down in the ninth inning, and the Yankees took the lead in the 10th, it still all came crumbling down for them in the bottom of the 10th to deliver one last knockout punch on the way back to New York.

RED SOX	**5**	**10 innings** **Box. / P. 34**
YANKEES	**4**	

After the Yankees took their first lead since Thursday night with two runs in the top of the 10th, the last-place Red Sox came back to win it in the bottom of the frame against Fernando Cruz, as Jarren Duran's walk-off single lifted them to a 5-4 win that finished off a four-game sweep Sunday night at Fenway Park.

"Obviously a terrible weekend for us," manager Aaron Boone said.

"It's one of those crap moments of the season, crap times of the season where you have a really rough weekend against a division rival. But you got to get over it quickly and understand we got a homestand starting [Monday]."

On a weekend in which they were dominated by Red Sox starting pitching — Connelly Early, Payton Tolle, Jake Bennett and Gray combined for 26 2/3 innings in which they gave up just three runs, 10 hits and six walks while striking out 28 — the Yankees (48-35) have now dropped eight of their past 11 after suffering their first four-game sweep to their archrivals since 2018. The Red Sox (36-46) had not won four straight games all season until this series.

Asked how the Yankees make sure this does not turn into something worse than an awful four games, Boone leaned into the adversity.

"That's what we do, baby," he said. "You got to love this stuff. You got to eat this stuff up. It's a sickness. That's what the grind is. We got a really good freakin' team. We played crappy on this trip kind of, feels bad, kind of pissed off. But it's what we do. It's what you sign up for. We'll dig ourselves out of it and get it going here in short order. Bottom line is we didn't play well this weekend and we got to do better."

A month that began with the Yankees losing Aaron Judge to the injured list (his timeline for a return is still very fuzzy) is nearing an end with the club looking like it is feeling the effects of not having the back-to-back AL MVP in its lineup — along with Giancarlo Stanton and Trent Grisham. The Yankees had survived the early going, despite their IL continuing to grow, by getting contributions from different players up and down the lineup on any given night.

But now, they have all gone cold at the same time, resulting in a four-game sweep in which the Yankees combined to hit just 17-for-128 (.133) with 10 walks.

"I think the success they had this weekend, they were very good at executing," said Amed Rosario, who broke up Gray's no-hitter with a single in the eighth inning and then put the Yankees ahead 3-2 with an RBI single to lead off the top of the 10th.

The night had begun like the last few before it, with Gray mowing down the Yankees. Tolle had retired the first 16 Yankees on Friday night before Bennett carried a no-hitter into the fifth inning Saturday. Gray took flirting with history a step further before another former disgruntled Yankee, Chapman, flushed it in the ninth.

But even after the Yankees rallied and went ahead in the 10th — all without Jazz Chisholm Jr., who was ejected in the sixth — thanks in part to right fielder Wilyer Abreu's second error in as many innings, Cruz could not finish it off in the bottom of the inning. He left pitches up that turned into a single, double, sacrifice fly and then Duran's walk-off winner.

"Great teams go through this," Cruz said. "The best teams go through stretches like this. Champions and great teams in history go through stretches like this, especially games like this."

But those teams make sure the

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SLIP SLIDING AWAY: Willson Contreras (right) slides safely home in front of Austin Wells to score on a two-run single by Caleb Durbin in the fourth inning of the Yankees' 5-4, 10-inning loss to the Red Sox.

AP

bad stretches don't extend too long, which is what the Yankees will be up against when they open a critical homestand Monday.

"We got outplayed," said Carlos Rodón, who gave up two unearned runs (after an Oswaldo Cabrera fielding error) across five innings. "Although they're last in the division, they're still a solid club. They play good baseball. They make things happen, they're aggressive.

"You got to turn the page and go out [Monday] and win a game. That's it. Winning cures everything."

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No sign of return for badly missed Judge

By DAN MARTIN

BOSTON — There's still no date set for Aaron Judge to get his fractured right rib imaged again, according to Aaron Boone, which means the Yankees can't begin to point to a day when their best player might be back in the lineup.

It can't come soon enough.

For a third straight game, the Yankees were held without a hit until at least the fifth inning.

And in Sunday's 5-4, 10-inning loss that finished off a nightmarish weekend at Fenway Park, the Yankees didn't get a hit against ex-Yankee Sonny Gray until the eighth.

Aaron Boone called it "a terrible weekend" made worse by Sunday's performance.

"Overall, we're not swinging the bats great this weekend," Boone said. "We had some pitches to hit [and] just missed a couple of them."

Clearly, they're not very intimidating without Judge.

"Certainly, having Aaron Judge in the lineup changes our team in a profound way," Boone said before the game.

They had scored just five runs over the first three games of the series and didn't break through Sunday until Boston's defense collapsed in the top of the ninth.

And in clutch situations, they've been especially bad, as they're 7-for-72 with runners in scoring position since June 18.

"Give them credit, they threw the ball well," hitting coach James Rowson said of Boston's pitchers. "It was a tough couple of games, but in the grand scheme of things, I feel good about our guys and have confidence in them. You're gonna have tough series and this, obviously, was one."

Ben Rice has been especially impacted. The first baseman had an OPS of 1.056 in 54 games before Judge went out with the rib fracture and entered Sunday with a .686 OPS in 23 games since then.

He went hitless Sunday.

Boone said Rice was fine at the plate without Judge before the last week, when the manager believes Rice has struggled.

He's in a 2-for-28 slump, as the combination of not having Judge, Giancarlo Stanton and Trent Grisham available has taken a toll.

"We're going through it a little bit on the injury front, which gives you opportunities to find out about depth [and] who's gonna be part of having a meaningful role moving forward."

The Yankees will count on Rice the rest of the way, with or without Judge.

"I don't see guys pressing, including Ben," Rowson said. "When you miss that caliber of hitter Judge is, it's an adjustment period for everyone. Guys have done a good job stepping up without Judge, and you're gonna have stretches like this."

Including Rice.

"Ben is already a threat in this league, with or without Judge," Rowson said. "Pitchers gameplan against Ben Rice. Maybe it's tougher for him now, but he's capable and ready for it. We've got to bounce back."

But this was seen as a bit of a test for Rice, who has spent much of the first half of the season in the American League MVP race, typically hitting directly in front of or behind Judge.

The last few weeks have shown again how vital Judge is to their offense.

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Helmet slam enough to get Jazz tossed

By DAN MARTIN

JAZZ CHISHOLM JR.
Ejected in 6th inning.

BOSTON — It seemed like Jazz Chisholm Jr. was determined to exit Sunday night's 5-4, 10-inning loss to the Red Sox well before it was over.

The second baseman, hitting leadoff for the first time this season, was tossed after striking out to end the top of the sixth for arguing a checked-swing third strike.

Chisholm was upset with home plate umpire Adam Hamari, who made the call and didn't check with third base ump Clint Vondrak.

As Chisholm turned to argue vehemently with Hamari at the plate, first base coach Dan Fiorito raced to home plate to try to calm Chisholm, with manager Aaron Boone soon following from the dugout.

None of it stopped Chisholm from continuing to argue. When he slammed his helmet as Boone talked with Hamari, Chisholm finally was tossed by first base umpire Todd Tichenor, the crew chief.

"We tried to keep him in the game in that situation [and] tried to distract a little bit," Boone said of his attempt to prevent the ejection. "They gave him a little bit of rope to argue his case, and the helmet going in a certain direction probably cost him."

Chisholm was replaced in the lineup by Anthony Volpe, while José Caballero moved from short to second base.

"I never like when guys get tossed," the manager said. "Everyone once in a while, a guy gets tossed. I don't want him out of the game and tried to rein it in there."

Boone added he thought the checked swing was "at least borderline. My quick view from the first base dugout was that he didn't [swing]."

The Yankees — and Chisholm — lost that argument but still came back to tie the game in the top of the ninth and take the lead in the 10th before blowing it in the bottom of the 10th for their fourth straight defeat.

When Chisholm was ejected, they still were being dominated by ex-Yankee Sonny Gray, as the right-hander didn't allow a hit until the eighth.

For Chisholm, it was another low point in what's been a rocky season. He got off to a rough start to the year with a .611 OPS through the end of April, but he was productive for most of May.

That was followed by a disappointing last three-plus weeks.

"I feel like he's been solid now for a couple months, but I always feel like with Jazz, there's so much more," Boone said before the game. "[We're] waiting for him to really catch fire.

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INJURY REPORT

- **Trent Grisham** (right hamstring strain) ran the bases again Sunday at Fenway Park, keeping him in line to play in a rehab game as early as Tuesday.
- **Aaron Judge** (right rib stress fracture) is nearly four weeks removed from his injury diagnosis, but it does not sound like he is ready yet to undergo imaging to see if he can be cleared to ramp up his activity.

ON DECK

vs. Tigers

Monday, 7:05 p.m.,
YES, WFAN (660 AM, 101.9 FM)

LHP Ryan Weathers

2026 stats:
3-5, 3.95 ERA

Career vs. DET:
1-0, 0.64 ERA

Last start:
Wed., at DET;
6 IP, 1 ER, 6 SO

PITCH BREAKDOWN

28%	23%	20%
4-Seamer	Change	Sweeper

RHP Casey Mize

2026 stats:
2-5, 2.95 ERA

Career vs. NYY:
2-2, 4.18 ERA

Last start:
Tues., vs. NYY;
5.2 IP, 4 ER, 6 SO

PITCH BREAKDOWN

34%	25%	25%
4-Seamer	Splitter	Slider

UP NEXT

TUESDAY: vs. Tigers,
7:05 p.m., Prime Video, WFAN
RHP Cam Schlittler
vs. LHP Tarik Skubal

WEDNESDAY: vs. Tigers,
1:35 p.m., YES, WFAN
RHP Will Warren
vs. RHP Troy Melton

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STREAM IT OR SKIP IT

"Another Self" (Netflix) concludes with its three main characters really digging into changes in their lives, but as before, the show really shines when all three of them share scenes together. **OUR CALL: STREAM IT**

WHAT TO WATCH

"The Sheep Detectives" (Prime Video) is a genuine delight from beginning to end, with a great little whodunnit, characters who are both flawed and incredibly easy to love (including the sheep) and a really touching and important message about grief wrapped up inside of it.

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WHAT TO WATCH. WHEREVER YOU WATCH

SADDLING UP FOR MCBABY NO. 2

'The McBee Dynasty' stars Cole McBee and Kacie Adkison on wedding and baby planning

Kacie Adkison and Cole McBee (left) star on "The McBee Dynasty: Real American Cowboys" Season 3 (below left).

Tamara Beckwith/NY Post

By SAMANTHA NUNGESSER

The McBee family is saddling up for their new normal after family patriarch Steve McBee Sr. was sentenced to two years in prison for pleading guilty to crop insurance fraud in the opening episodes of **"The McBee Dynasty: Real American Cowboys"** Season 3. Now, more than six months since Steve reported to federal prison in South Dakota, his sons are leaning on each other more than ever, especially when it comes to running McBee Farm & Cattle Co.

"With him being gone, there was a big void to fill with work, with life, with being the leader of the family," Cole McBee told DECIDER when he and his fiancée Kacie Adkison stopped by our studio. "Everyone stepped up in their own way to really make this last year happen and to be able to get through this bad situation we're going through."

Despite the hardships, Cole and his brothers seem to be maintaining a positive outlook on the ordeal. Per the cattle rancher, they are hoping their dad will get out of prison "by the end of the year," which would cut his initial sentence in half. In the meantime, Cole—who said he visits Steve every couple of weeks—is looking forward to taking his 18-month-old daughter, Blair, and Jesse and Alli McBee's daughter, Summer, to "Bring Your Grandchild to Jail Day."

While they've had to grapple with the struggles left in the wake of Steve's absence, this last year has also marked an exciting time for Cole and Adkison, who got engaged in November 2025 and, within a few months, announced that they were expecting their second child, another daughter.

DECIDER: I'm so excited to have you both here at what is such an exciting time for you! You had a baby, you got engaged, you're getting ready to welcome another baby girl. How are you both feeling about having two under two?

COLE MCBEE & KACIE ADKISON: Nervous.

COLE: We are nervous because Blair is so busy. She's so much fun, but she is busy all the time. So, we are very nervous about how having another baby and chasing her around is going to be. But I told her, "It can't be any harder than being eight months pregnant and chasing Blair around."

KACIE: It's very humbling to be this pregnant and chasing after a wild toddler. I'm ready for the baby to get here, and then we'll just figure out our new normal.

How is the wedding planning going? Do you have a date set yet?

COLE: We've been thinking. It's probably going to be next fall. We've kind of got a couple of dates in mind. But the cool thing is, we're going to get married on our farm so we can just plan it eight months before, nine months before and any date is available.

KACIE: Yeah, we don't have to worry about booking a venue.

COLE: It makes it really nice. We're excited that it's going to be right there. It's really going to be behind our house, in our pasture. We already have a spot picked out and everything, so it's gonna be really cool. But we just need to get my dad back and get it planned.

Steven Jr. has been in the news quite a bit lately for his relationship with Allie Eklund. Kacie, you seemed to really like Allie when you first met her. How do you feel about her now that everything has unfolded? And have you been in touch?

KACIE: We haven't really been in touch. I've talked to her once or twice, but she's moving on. Steven's moving on. I think it's best for both of them. Steven's working on himself. I want both of them to be happy.

Does it surprise either of you that Allie and Calah [Jackson] have been in contact since Steven and Allie's breakup?

COLE: A little bit, just because of things that were said. Like, things she said about her and things Calah said about her. But it is what it is. Steven needs to work on himself and he's doing that. Steven's getting better. That's the most important thing.

We can't fix the past, but he can fix the future, so Steven's just working on himself. Honestly, I would say as of right now, he's in the best mental headspace he's ever been in and he's at the most peace in life, which I'm happy for him. It took a long time for him to get here and I'm happy he's here.

TRENDING NOW

It was Knicks in 5, now it's **"JAŸ-Z IN 8." Jay-Z** (far left) will be the subject of a new eight-part HBO docuseries, in which the Brooklyn-born rapper sits down with record producer and director **Rick Rubin** (left).

WHAT'S NEW

ON DISNEY+/HULU

"Adventure Time: Side Quests," an **"Adventure Time"** spinoff series.

ON FYI

"Instant Italian," the Season 2 premiere (left).

Best Bets

What's on Tonight

DRAMA

Cast Away: 5 p.m. on FX. Tom Hanks, Helen Hunt. A FedEx executive undergoes a physical and emotional transformation after crash landing on a deserted island.

THRILLER

I, Robot: 8 p.m. on TNT. Will Smith, Bridget Moynahan. In 2035, a technophobic cop investigates a crime that may have been perpetrated by a robot.

COMEDY

Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story: 11 p.m. on FX. Vince Vaughn, Ben Stiller. A group of misfits enter a tournament in order to save their gym.

Monday June 29, 2026

SP = Spectrum, C = Cablevision, F = FiOS   Movies   Sports   New

Evening	SP	C	F	6:30pm	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm	8:30pm	9:00pm	9:30pm	10:00pm	10:30pm	11:00pm	11:30pm
2 WCBS	2	2	2	CBS Evening News	Inside Edition	Entertainment Tonight	The Neighborhood (R)	The Neighborhood (R)	FBI: Takeover (R)		CIA: Broken Glass (R)		CBS News 11pm	(11:35) Comics
4 WNBC	4	4	4	NBC Nightly News	News 4 New York at 7	New York Live	St. Denis Medical (R)	The Fall and: Pilot (R)	American Ninja Warrior: Eastern Regional Qualifying 1				News 4 New York at 11	(11:35) Tonight Show
5 WNYW	5	5	5	The 6 O'Clock News	Extra	TMZ	FIFA World Cup Live.	(8:45) 2026 FIFA World Cup Live.					The 10 O'Clock News	
7 WABC	7	7	7	ABC World News	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune (R)	Disney Celebrates America: The Pursuit of Happiness				Celebrity Family Feud: The Sharks vs. The Talk (R)		News	(11:35) Kimmel Live
9 WWOR	9	9	9	(6:00) 6 O'Clock News	Family Feud (R)	Family Feud (R)	The News on My 9		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: Waste (R)		Family Feud (R)	Family Feud (R)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: Angels (R)	
11 WPIX	11	11	11	(6:00) PIX11 News at 6	Seinfeld: The Jacket	The Big Bang Theory	Penn & Teller: Fool Us: The Penn & Teller 50th (R)		Penn & Teller: Fool Us: Gives Brooke the Bird (R)		PIX11 News at Ten		New York Nightcap	Seinfeld: Andrea Doria
13 WNET	13	13	13	BBC News America	The PBS News Hour		Antiques Roadshow: 250 Years of Americana (R)		Antiques Roadshow: Springs Preserve Hour 2 (R)		Declarations: Black		Amanpour and Company	
21 WLIW	21	21	21	(6:00) News	Patience: The Magpie		Grantchester (R)		Downton Abbey		Downton Abbey		BBC News	The Day
25 WNYE	25	22	25	GZero	Azadi	Who She Is	Vanguard W	Her B Idea	Day's Work	Buzz	Start Up	The NYC F	Walkin NYC	Roadtrip
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55 WLNY	55	10	10	Perfect (R)	Last Man	Last Man	News 8pm		48 Hours: Catch Her		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Neighbor.	Neighbor.
A&E	46	46	181	Live PD (R)	Live PD: Shifts (R)		Live PD: Shifts (R)		Live PD: Greatest Shifts		(10:01) Late Night Law		(11:04) Live PD: Shifts (R)	
AMC	54	43	231	Captain America: First Avenger (2011)			Captain America: Civil War (2016, Action) Chris Evans. PG-13 ★★★							Captain
BBCAM	71	101	189	(5:00) True Lies (1994, Action) R ★★★			The Rock (1996, Action) Sean Connery. R ★★★						Law & Order	
BET	37	54	270	(6:00) Feud	Celebrity Family Feud		BIG3 Basketball				BET Awards 2026			
BRAVO	18	44	185	Below (R)	Below Deck (R)		Below Deck		McBee Dynasty		Next Gen NYC (R)		McBee Dynasty	
CNBC	15	24	102	Money	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN	78	25	100	(6:00) Lead	Erin Burnett OutFront		Anderson Cooper 360°		The Source with Kaitlan		CNN NewsNight		Laura Coates Live	
COMEDY	45	50	190	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office: Cocktails		The Office	The Office	Family Guy	Family Guy
DISC	66	27	120	Contraband	Contraband (R)		Contraband		Body Cam: Desperate		120 Hours (R)		Contraband (R)	
DISNEY	49	31	250	Big City	Descendants 3 (2019, Family) Dove Cameron. NR				Descendants: The Rise of Red (2024) Kylie Cantrall.				Miraculous	Miraculous
E!	24	51	196	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)	Men (R)
ESPN	28	36	70	Sports	MLB Baseball: Texas Rangers at Cleveland Guardians. Live.						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	29	35	74	MLB Baseba	Athletes Unlimited Softball: Blaze vs. Spark Live.				NFL Live		E60		ESPN FC	
FBN	43	106	117	Bottom	Kudlow (R)		How America Works		How America Works		How America Works		How America Works	
FNC	44	26	118	Spc. Rpt.	The Ingraham Angle		Jesse Watters Primetime		Hannity		Gutfeld!		Special Report	
FOOD	50	97	164	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	BBQ Brawl: Primal BBQ		BBQ Brawl		Food Network's Top 10		Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby
FREE	38	49	199	The Princess Diaries (2001, Comedy) Julie Andrews.				(8:25) The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (2004, Comedy)					The 700 Club (R)	
FS1	400	99	83	MotoGP Replay.		ARCA Racing: Shore Lunch 250 Replay.				Indycar	SPEED with Harvick and Buxton			TMZ Sports
FX	10	40	53	Cast Away (2000, Drama) Tom Hanks.			The Martian (2015, Science Fiction) Matt Damon. PG-13 ★★★½						Dodgeball (2004) ★★★	
HALL		191	240	(6:00) Crown for Christmas (2015) ★★★			Never Kiss a Man in a Christmas Sweater (2020)				Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden
HGTV	64	98	165	Carib Life	Carib Life	Carib Life	Carib Life	Carib Life	Battle on the Beach		Crashers: Going Hard		Crashers: Ex Marks Spot	
HIST	40	47	128	World War	World War II w. (R)		World War II w.: Italy		World War II w.		(10:03) History's Grea.		(11:05) World War II w. (R)	
ID	23	171	123	People	People Magazine		The Curious Case of...		Dead Influence		Lethally Blonde		Deadly Women: Ice Cold	
LIFE	62	45	140	Dr. Pimple	Dr. Pimple Popper (R)		Dr. Pimple Popper (R)		Dr. Pimple Popper		(10:03) Dr. Pimple Popper		(11:03) Dr. Pimple Popper	
MeTV	33	33	3	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Andy	Andy	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Golden	Golden	Burnett	P. Mason
MSG	27	87	78	Major League Pickleball: New York Championship Sunday Replay.					Team Boxing League: Nashville Smash at Miami Assassins					Team
MSG Plus	48	88	80	(6:00) To Be Announced: Program information is currently unavailable.										
MSNOW	14	23	103	Ari Melber	The Weeknight		All in with Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow		Lawrence O'Donnell		The 11th Hour with Ali	
MTV	20	53	210	Bang	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous
NATGEO	65	162	121	Tsunami	Titanic Sinks Tonight (R)		Titanic Sinks Tonight (R)		Titanic Sinks Tonight		Titanic Sinks Tonight		Titanic Sinks Tonight (R)	
NICK	6	121	252	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang
OWN	173	180	145	Videos	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos	
PARMT	36	56	54	(6:00) Tommy Boy (1995, Comedy) Chris Farley. ★★★				(8:25) Old School (2003, Comedy) Luke Wilson. R ★★★				(10:40) Talladega Nights: Ballad (2006)		
SNY	26	60	77	Pre Game	MLB Baseball: New York Mets at Toronto Blue Jays from Rogers Centre. Live.						Post Game	Sports	Sports	Sports
SYFY	17	48	180	(5:15) Harry Potter & Hallows 1 (2010)			Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 (2011, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe.						Red (2010) Bruce Willis.	
TBS	8	39	52	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	The Office	The Office
TCM	82	41	230	(5:15) Gilda	Fragment	Wormwood	Winter Kept Us Warm (1968)			Beautiful Thing (1996) Glen Berry. ★★★½			Desert Hearts (1986) ★★½	
TLC	52	28	139	90 Day (R)	90 Day: Last (R)		90 Day: The Last Resort		(9:01) Little Singles		(10:01) 90 Day: Last (R)		(11:01) 90 Day Diaries (R)	
TNT	3	37	51	(5:00) Man of Steel (2013, Action) ★½			I, Robot (2004, Science Fiction) Will Smith. PG-13 ★★★					Meg 2: The Trench (2023) PG-13		
TVLAND	85	34	241	Andy	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Queens	Queens
USA	16	38	50	(6:00) SVU	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Everything	Everything
VH1	19	52	217	Love Miami	Love Hip Hop (R)		Love Hip Hop: Mic Drop		The Impact Atlanta (R)		The Impact Atlanta (R)		The House Bunny (2008)	
WE	59	42	149	Minds	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds: Distress	
YES	53	89	76	Pregame	MLB Baseball: Detroit Tigers at New York Yankees from Yankee Stadium. Live.						Postgame	YanksExtra	Sportico	Homegrown
HBO	511	301	400	Earth Wind	(7:19) Last Week (R)		House of the Dragon (R)		Life Larry	(9:45) Weapons (2025, Horror) Alden Ehrenreich, Julia Garner. R				
MAX	531	371	420	Murder on the Orient Express (2017)			Trap (2024, Thriller) Josh Hartnett. ★★			(9:40) Hitchcock (2012, Drama) ★★½			(11:19) Papillon (2018) R	
MGM Plus	595		395	(5:55) Shakespeare in Love (1998) R ★★★			From: If A Tree Falls		Billy Kid	Billy the Kid: Sickness		(10:35) Ferris Bueller's Day Off (1986)		
PARSHO	551	321	365	21 Jump St	Daniela Forever (2025, Drama) Henry Golding. R				The Chi: Truth Thaws		Beach Rats (2017) Harris Dickinson. ★★½			Palos R ★★

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Jarren Duran celebrates his walk-off single in front of Austin Wells in the 10th inning of Boston's 5-4 win, completing a four-game sweep. The Yanks were lifeless before the Red Sox handed them the tying runs in the ninth and go-ahead runs in the 10th, only for Fernando Cruz to give up three in the bottom of the 10th.
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BROOMSDAY

No-hit into the 8th, Yanks squander late gifts to suffer four-game sweep

FROM BOOST TO BUST

GREEN ENERGY FADES AS METS FALL TO PHILS

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